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TODAY'S WEATHER: Moderate Southeasterly winds; extensive coastal fog night and early morning, partial clearance during the day, Rain or drizzle probable tonight.

Noon Observations: Barometric pressure 1014.5 mbs., 29.96 in Temperature 64.3 deg. F. Dew point 64 deg. F. Relative humidity 98. Wind direction East. Wind force 11 knots.

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Yesterday's

Plane. Crash

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# Plane Disaster Investigation

The Director of Civil Aviation (Mr A. J. R. Moss) this morning informed the Telegraph, in answer to questions, that investigation into the CPA plane crash has already started.

It will be a private inquiry, and will be attended by any person against whom a charge may be made, but any such person will have the right to ask questions.

Because the wreckage of the aircraft was so hot yestorday, Mr Moss was unable to carry out the necessary inspection, and he is going to the scene of the disaster today for this purpose,

# CRASHES ON TAKE-OFF

#### 22 Persons Killed

Cuzco, Peru, Feb. 24.-Twenty-two persons were killed and two injured seriously when a Peruvian Air Force C-47 plane crashed on its take-off.

Twenty passengers, the pilot and the rudio operator were killed. The co-pilot and mechanic escaped virtually unscathed. The plane was being used to carry

commercial passengers between Cuzco and Lima. The accident occurred when a tyre blew off during the take-off, causing the plane to A motor caught fire and the flames

spread rapidly to the main gas tank, which exploded, enveloping the plane in flames.—United Press.

#### U.S. AIRMAN KILLED

Frankfurt, Feb. 24.—An American nirman was killed today in the were third U.S. fighter plane crash in Germany in the last four days. His plane, an F-80 jet Shooting Star, fell about 15 miles southeast of Heldelberg.—Associated Press.

### Makes Gift Of Bacon

company, to the people of Britain. They will provide one, week's ration for 25,000 people.-Reuter.

# Majority Down

# BYE-ELECTION

London, Feb. 24.-Labour retained its House of Commons seat for the drab West London district of South Hammersmith in a bye-election regarded as a straw vote for the next national elections.

Mr Tom Williams (Labour) polled 15,223 votes against 13,610 for the Conservative candidate, Mr Anthony Fell.

Labour's majority, however, was reduced to 1,613 as compared with the 3,458 by which it took the seat in the 1945 general elections.

With today's victory, Labour successfully defended 31 Commons seats in bye-elections since it took office in 1945. So important was the South Hammersmith election regarded that Labour and Conservative leaders from Mr Attlee and Mr Churchill down campaigned actively for their men.

Official returns showed that about llamentary bye-election since the 70 percent of the electorate voted, general election of 1945, demonstrated compared with 65 per cent in the in a body today. 1945 general elections.

South Hammersmith division figures | the constituency as a counter-blast

Douglas Cooke (Conservative) 9,044. In yesterday's byc-election, therefore, Labour increased its vote by 1,721 and the Conservatives by 4,566. -United Press.

#### POLLING SCENES

London, Feb. 24.--Vans with blaring loudspeakers toured Auckland, Feb. 24.—The carcases streets of Hammersmith, the riverof the world's record bacon litter of side borough in West London, from 15 pigs, weighing a ton and a half, early morning till after midnight tokilled recently at Auckland, are to day urging electors to vote in a Parbe given by the owners, a bacon liamentary bye-election which has ttracted exceptional interest. Thirty Labour Members of Par-Inment, who have each won a Par-

Described as a "Cavalcade of In the 1945 general election, the | Victors," they toured every part of to a tour made yesterday by the W. T. Adams (Labour) 12,502: Conservative leader. Mr Winston

The bye-election has caused considerable stir in political circles as la possible pointer to next year's general election. The vacancy was caused by the death of a Labour Meniber, Mr W. T. Adams, who captured the sent in 1945 with

#### a majority of 3,458. FORMER PADRE

Today's condidates are a former Baptist Minister, Mr Tom Williams, for Labour, and a New Zealander, Mr Anthony Fell, for the Conservatives. Mr Fell is an engineer. The southern part of Hammer-

smith, which forms the constituency In question, is traditionally Conservative, but was captured by Labour by a relatively small majority in is forecast, with the odds slightly in favour of a Labour win.

in their capacity as Labour's "Assault Force, -- flaunted the slogan: "We have all the winners."-Reuter.

ZILLIACUS REPUDIATED declined to endorse the Labour the Liberator, staged his March on scandal," but when asked if any-Member of Parliament, Mr K. Lima, Peru. Zilliacus, as a candidate for 'the

announced tonight. of co-operation with Russia, 13 returned last night. Labour Member for Gateshead, industrial city in north-eastern

year of the telegram of good wishes of a stream on the small Island with cialist Party.

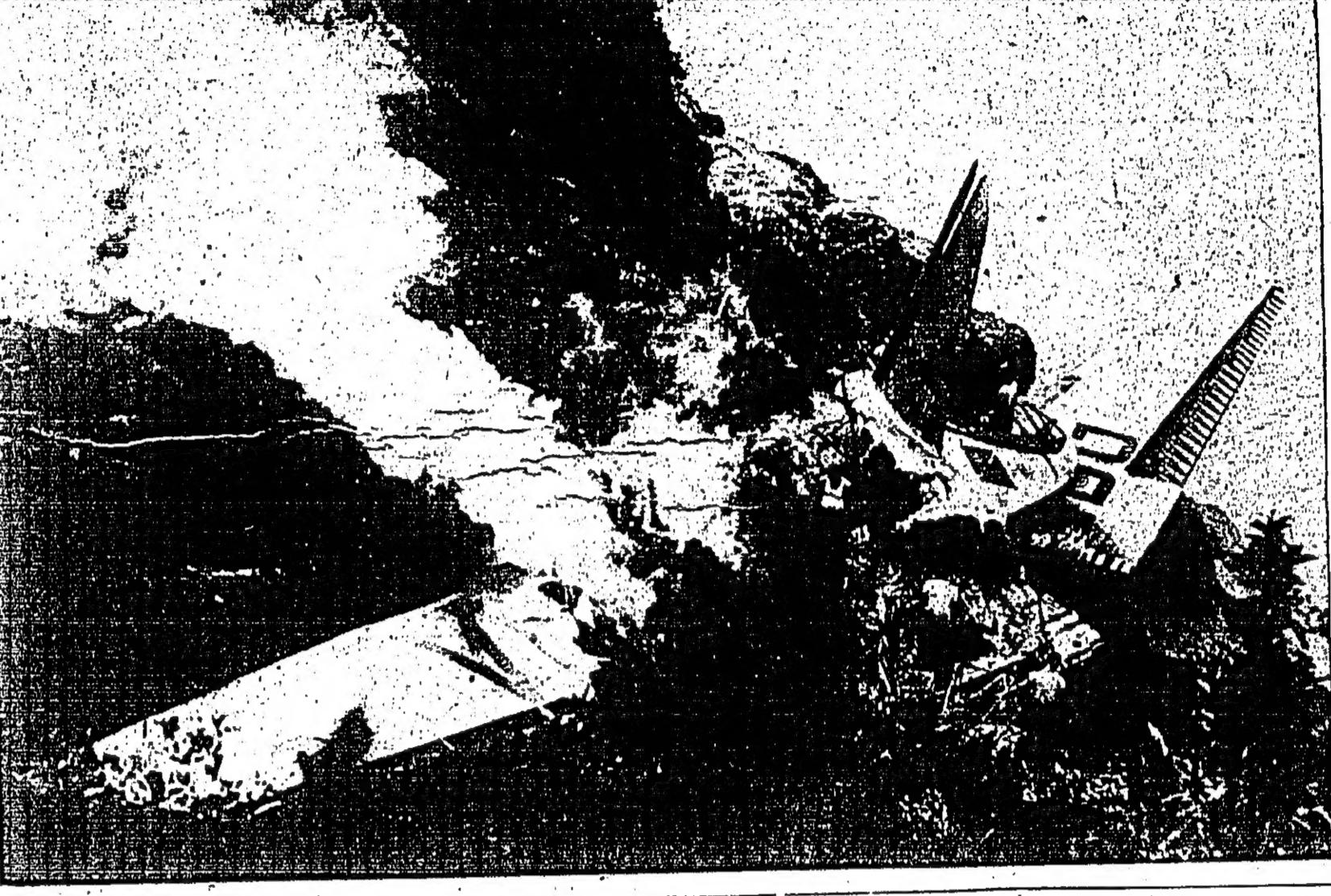
also refuse to support a number of a pirate. other leftwing Labour Members of Parliament at the 1950 election. No extensive "purge," however, is ex- Spanish archives, consists of solid effectively," he said. pected.-Reuter.

# London, Feb. 24.—King George VI.

appeared in better health today when he arrived at Buckingham Palace after his six-weeks holiday at Sanda very slight limp as he walked to the

At the end of last year, the King Legislature, had to cancel his projected tour of Australia and New Zealand because . Ordinance having to close down of an affection of the leg arteries, protect the youth of the State of Girls' Association received the because of operating losses. There His first big official engagement since lowal against the use of liquor." following tax reductions up to 125 his illness will be at Buckingham One section of the bill also would Straits dollars: dresses, \$40; shoes, Palace next Tuesday, when he holds require liquer labels to carry the \$20; hair setting, \$25; cosmetics \$40.

ceremony.-Reuter.



This graphic picture shows the still smouldering wreckage of the ill-fated Cathay Pacific - Airways C47 Dakota aircraft which crashed on Mount Butler yesterday on the banks of the Braemar Reservoir. Nineteen passengers and a crew of four lost their lives in one of the Colony's Photograph by Staff Photographer.

# Pirate Booty Claimed To Be Located

Los. Angeles, Feb. 1945. This itme a very close result Searchers believe that they have located the fabulous lost territories which suffered enemy oc-"Loot of Lima," pirate booty cupation were all asked to consider morning in showery weather but in estimated to be worth \$500,- schemes. The Hongkong Governthe afternoon a steady stream of 000,000 and supposed to be voters suggested a heavy poll. The buried under the shore of tiny | The Government could not be ex-30 Labour Members of Parliament - Cocos Island, off the west coast | pected to force a war damage of Costa Rica.

The "Loot of Lima" is supposed to have been carried by the ill- urged that substantial sums should London, Feb. 24.—The National Sated British merchantman, Mary be spent on the Hongkong airport Executive of the Labour Party has Dear, to Cocos when Simon Bolivar, which he described as "an imperial

Ellis Paterson, a former Lieutengeneral election, it was officially ant Governor of California who sailed from here on January 21 with an Mr Zilliacus, outspoken advocate expedition to search for the gold,

He said that Mr James Forbes claimed he had located the treasure He was one of the signatories last under the beach and at the mouth to Signor Pietro Nenni, leader of the metal detectors. This is Forbes' then Communist-ailled Italian So- fifth quest for the loot. He maintains that it is shown on maps left It is expected that the Party will by his great-grandfather, who was

> The treasure, as recorded gold statues and other art objects, relies of the Spanish Conquest of Peru.-Reuter.

#### One Man's Drink Is Des Moines' Poison

Des Moines, Iowa, Feb. 24.-A ringham, his Norfolk estate. He had bill requiring all liquor sold in Iowa be labelled with the skull and crosscar which awaited him at King's bones and marked "polson" has hostesses of Singapore have it been introduced in the State officially from the income tax comp-

words "antidotes: pour contents of But they lost out on a claim for:\$40. He will remain scated during the this bottle in the sewer and place for transportation. — Associated the bottle in the ashcan."-Beuter. Press.

# Commons Again Discusses Hongkong

#### WAR DAMAGES COMPENSATION AND THE AIRPORT

London, Feb. 24. — Throughout the Far East there were people who had lost everything during the Japanese occupation but no single individual in any country had yet received a cent in compensation, Mr Leonard Gammans, Conservative, declared in the House of Commons today.

He asked if any of the £1,000,000 which Britain was giving Hongkong would be used to compensate individuals.

people there now," he said.

on its recovery.

he added,—Reuter,

Mr Rees Williams said North

Borneo was the most badly de-

vastated country in the world during

the war and could be congratulated

The question of a compensation

scheme there was being considered,

The Under-Secretary of State for | to safeguard the well-being the Colonies, Mr David Rees Williams, replied that various Far East

scheme on them.

AN "IMPERIAL SCANDAL" Mr Lennox Boyd,. Conservative, thing would be done about building another airport, Mr Rees Williams

Asked what action Britain had taken to ensure that capital funds moved into Hongkong following recent events in China were not exchanged into non-sterling currencles on the Hongkong free market, 'Mi Glenvil Hall, for the Treasury, replled that no action had been taken by the British Government nor, so far as he was aware, by the Hongkong Government.

"Even were it desirable to impose a control of this kind, I doubt whether it could be enforced.

Asked about the possibility of importing Chinese labour into Borneo and Sarawak, Mr Rees Williams' doubted whether this would be a good thing. "We have this matter continually under review, but-our first consideration is

#### Tax Relief For Dance Hostesses

Singapore, Feb. 25,-The dance troller-money spent to make them

The measure is called "an Act to Members of the Singapore Cabaret

# COLONY GIVEN PAT ON BACK

London, Feb. 24.—British traders in the Far East should not pull down on themselves an "iron curtain" of their own making, Mr Walter Fletcher, the rubber merchant Conservative Member of Parlinment, who flies to Singapore next Wednesday, said in London today. Praising British commercial inter-

ests in Hongkong for "keeping their heads" over the new regime in China, Mr Fletcher told Reuter: "By so doing, they have gained prestige which Britain has not had in that part of the world for many years. Trade has opened up again. The Chinese, whether Communist or not, are always interested in doing business and making money.

"At this moment, we ought not to try and assess the outcome of things and which side we ought to back. Instead, we ought to seek to establish some sort of decent footing with the de facto government.

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# **EDITORIAL**

#### The Hotels Ordinance as such they could well MIEDNESDAY'S Council

YY bate on the Hotels Ordinance was conventional enough, and rather colourless. Sir Man Kam Lo, who opposed the measure argued on principles, but seemed . unwilling to appreciate circumstances capable of qualifying those principles. That it has been necessary to apply controls to the hotel trade is genefully deplored; but the necessity cannot be ignored. Both Mr. Chau and Mr Cassidy forcefully emphasised the circumstances which made it imperative for the Hotels Rates Advisory Committee to recommend allocation of hotel accommodation for Hongkong residents at controlled rates and Government would have been remiss if it had denied those exigencles and refused to incorporate the recommendation in the Ordinance. We observed at the time the Advisory Committee's report was made public that it represented a fair compromise—an acceptable endeavour to meet and solve a chronic problem. We still hold that Cassidy pointed out, some of the provisions will not be easy to put into effect and because certain anomalies are certain to arise, the assurance made by the Attorney General that Government will closely watch how the Ordinance operates in practice, is welcome. In the determination to argue along general lines, the debaters lost sight of certain specific points which deserved come attention. For example, the Government spekesman made no reference to the five amendments to the Ordinance, each of which goes some way toward meeting earlier | are compensations as well as criticisms. The amendments in- disadvantages to hoteliers under clude concessions to the hotels the terms of the new legislation. on Investiture.

have been explained and emphasised by the Attorney General Under the amended Ordinance controlled hotels are liable to apply laid down accommodation rates for new Hongkong Residents only where the accommodation used is reserved for such residents. Furthermore onus has now been placed on future Hongkong residents to declare in writing to the management that they are so qualified. Another amendment sensibly offers protection for a Hongkong resident occupying accommodation other than that reserved for Hongkong residents when the Ordinance comes into effect, and equally appropriate is the withdrawal from the Ordinance of the obligation on hotel's managements to supply electricity for a "hot plate." These are important revisions which, while not affecting general intent of the Ordinance, do help to make the legislation more acceptable to hoteliers and residents. It was recognised from the time the Advisory Commilitee made their recommendations that any legislation based upon them would not give general satisfaction. But the needs of the moment make it imperative for some sort of protection for those wage-earners who cannot find private accommodation, and while this may involve temporarily a degree of sacrifice on the part of hotel proprietors, the hardship is not likely to be excessive in effect; certainly the imagination needs to be stretched to visualise the



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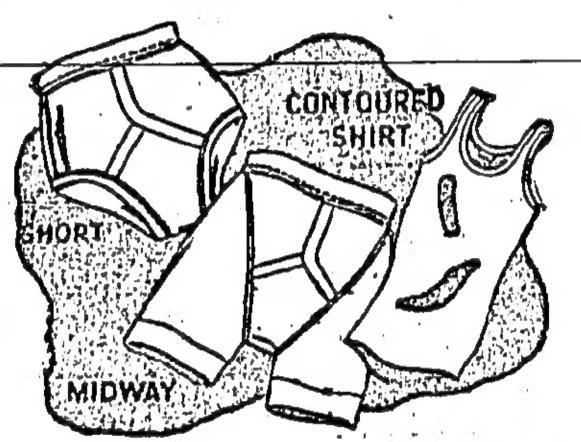
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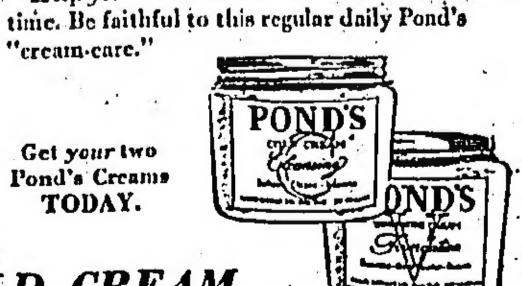
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# Dior Had Them Nearly Hysterical

ANNE EDWARDS

NE hour before the start of the Fashion Show, the queues stretched from the salon down the wide, grey-carpeted stairs, through the crystalchandeliered ground floor and \_\_\_ down the elegant Avenue Mon-

taigne. Those waiting in the cold noticed that Mr Dior had his initials in stunted box hedges in the front gardens, had decorated his windows with enormous bows of artificial flowers surrounded by white frames. Step by step the most favoured clients inched their way into the

grey-panelled room. They admired the 6 foot-high arrangements of crimson camelllas, lilies of the valley, palms, and crimson arum lilies, and took a last look through the 18 foot-high windows, draped with grey saun.

New Line

Half an hour later the windows were closed, the rooms sprayed with the master's latest perfume ("Miss Dior"-£3 an ounce), the fourteen vendeuses stood at strategic - posttions to spot anyone taking

All was set for the Dior Collection-the show all the fashion world has been waiting for. The collection opened quietly

with a frock in gun check suiting, tube skirted and tightly belted, worn with a loose capecoat and a workman's hat—all in the same material.

#### SPRING GREETING



This inexpensive spring frock in pink and gray striped material with mid-calf length skirt, bowtle neck and slim belted waist was seen at a recent West End show.

CHRISTIAN DIOB

By 11.30 (114 hour after the start) the new Dior line was clear, Roundshoulders: illusory full skirt (usually loose panels or half skirt); buttoned over narrow under-skirt); hems 15 inches from the ground. and waist so tight that one model's belt burst.

From time to time particularly pensational frocks were greeted with applause and "bravos." Among the spell-binders were · white ermine day cont with enor-

# Britain Bent On Mending Broken Homes

PRITAIN is tackling the job of D mending broken homes in the same practical spirit that she is setting about the rebuilding of her fac-tories and cities. To this end, volunteer "marriage counsellors", trained and supported by the State. have been recommended by a Home Office Committee in a recent report on the development of marriage guidance.

Some of the most fundamental problems which face every country and these problems may often be same way soap does. About half solved by sympathetic and expert have a petroleum base. advice. The report - emphasises, training.

#### Government Expenses

which have already done much was more efficient than all but one valuable work of this kind. These type of synthetic detergent when are the National Marriage Guidance soft water was used. But when the Council, the Catholic Marriage Ad- laundry was done in hard water, visory Council and the Family Wei- some of the synthetic detergents fare Association. The Committee were twice as good at routing the now proposes that their experience dirt as most of the scaps. training scheme, the whole cest of coloured cottons and on woollen on" arrangement on one side." which, it is suggested, should be and rayon materials. borne, by the Government for an Officials said soap manufacturexperimental period of five years, ers are now producing synthetic ed. That the organisations should detergents at the rate of about nominate nine representatives to a 400,000,000 pounds a year. Other schemes for selecting and training ical companies, also produce sub-the "Marriage Counsellors" is an stantial quantities, figures for which the "Marriage Counsellors" is another plea put forward in the report. If these proposals are adopted, says the Committee, the Home Secretary would be entitled to appoint a chairman, and the Minis- 1941. Reports for the first, third of ters of Health and Education one this year indicated an annual conmember each.

mous inverted pleats at the back: a frock in coarse canvas covered from head to foot with small flax flowers in plnk, blue, and mauve: an evening dress in crinolino atraw frilled from neck to hem with

At 11.40 Mr Dior-no doubt feel-ing that he had the house with him -made a personal appearance, copeat, Loud applause.

One hour more of sensational frocks, brilliant colours, startling new cuts, reduced half of the French audience almost to an emotional hysteria.

#### Old Tradition

- Among the original ideas which captivated them were: knee-length tulle dresses, very full, with tight shoulder-strapped bodices . . . after-noon frocks cut to the knee in front and ankle-length at the back . . . evening dresses in alpaca, straw, linen, tussore, nylon mesh-all heavily embroidered with silk, lamp-shade fringes, dlamonds, and darning wool.

ing a Mary Queen of Scots cap.

ed him with lipstick on both cheeks, come in contact with dust. "Magnificent: ravishing; irresist- cushion and sews a fine seam!

Mr Dior, a little panda of a man, doing things. give his deprecating smile.

## New Chemical May Oust Soap

WASHINGTON The housewife's old ally, soap, may have to surrender a large share of its popularity to other chemical compounds, as the Agriculture Department experiments show.

The department's textile chemists have been trying to find out what kind of laundering job various kinds of soap will do compared with synthetic detergents. Comparatively after war, with its attendant strain new on the market, synthetic deand separations, are those of do- tergents are laboratory-developed mestic and family re-adjustment, compounds that remove dirt the

Miss Margaret Furry of the buhowever, that such work can only read of human nutrition and home be done by carefully picked men economics, directed the experiand women who are themselves ments. Fifty-one different granuemotionally stable and who have lated and bar sonps, and synthetic undergone a highly specialised detergents were used on white cotton fabric soiled with an oil-greasedirt combination.

#### Efficiency Varios

Three bodies exist in Britain Miss Furry reported that somp

which would supervise manufacturers particularly chem-

were not available. About 2,284,000,000 pounds of soap was used in the United States last year, the largest amount since sumption of 2,448,000,000 pounds.

# By HELEN FOLLETT

Mr Dior was at the door to re- attending to the domestic chores, ceive congratulations from the 600 pounding a typewriter, working as visitors, who shook his hand, cover- a clerk where one's hands may showered him with superlatives: day is past when a girl sits on a Shie's active; she's hustling; she's

> Keep the hand lotton where you will see it. If you fail to use it,. the sight of the bottle will be a constant rebuke and serves you right. If the hands are in and out of water many times a day, several applications will be necessary. Those semi-liquid, milky preparations are wonderfully soothing. They disappear in no time, so you

can go about your business. Working hands are robbed of the to the wine tones.

F one thing you may be sure; natural oil and a cream should be U. your hands are not going to applied frequently. After anointing At 1 p.m. it all ended with the take care of themselves. Neglect your sacred complexion, a practice traditional bride, this one heavily them for two weeks, and it will to which you are faithful, we hope, embroidered with pearls and wear- take four weeks of petting to get use the leavings on your hands. them in form again. Almost all Rub the emollient into the knuckle, kinds of work is hard on hands, the finger nails, the cuticle surrounding the nails.

> Protect your hands. Don't fail to slip on gloves even if you are to be out of doors but'n few minutes. Winds flay the skin surface, cause chapped candition that may become painful. Protection is as necessary as care.

A woman is justified in being proud of hands of smooth, white surface with finger nails in tip-top form. When they - look nice, she will be inclined to use them gracefully, be mindful of move-

And hero's a reminder: new offerings in nall polish are intriguing. They range in colour But lotioning is not enough. from pale plak to deep rose, down



Hands Need Good Beauty Care

Hands need constant applications of a good hand cream to prevent

paliful chapping,

## Serve Small Portions To Children To Avoid Waste

THE Chef was standing in the his eye, "we shall keep her sim and Taste-Test kitchen admiring a huge Chinese-red enamelled canister on the table.

"What a stunning-looking tin," I said. "What are you going to keep in it, sugar or flour?"

"I shall try to keep this tin full of nothing," the Chef answered, Coffee or Tea . Milk (Children) should be pooled to plan a joint The test-will be continued on turning it so I could see the "step-

"A new garbage tin!" I exclaim-

"They call it the beauty tin now," the Chef chuckled. "The less we put in, the more beautiful it is."

#### Should Be Starved

We should all starve the garbage tin. And one of the best ways is to practise the gospel of the clean

"The restaurant chef has a way of making the plates look ample without crowding, or serving food in portions that are too large," our Chef observed. "That is easily done by using the right garnishes."

"Some homemakers may object water and scrape the skin from one that it's hard enough to serve plenty side. Place it on a large platter and money for garnishes," I remarked.

"But where garnishes are to be eaten." the Chef replied, "they are part of the meal. And tell me, why do they leave the parsley on the plate or the shredded carrot or sometimes the lettuce?"

"Because many persons still don't know that it is just as important for them to eat a quota of fresh uncooked foods, as it is to eat meat or eggs or fish."

#### Small Portions

should be made up of small portions. home-make as follows: Sift together Seconds can follow if they want 2 c. flour, 1/2; thisp: granulated sugur; more. The sight of a crowded plate 4 tsp. baking powder and 1/2 tsp. from eating, and result in waste.

stock for a cream of fish purce for cuits. Split and toast any left-overs. luncheon." I have bought the woshed spinach in the glassine bag, so there is no waste to that. The citrus fruit cup I shall make from tinned fruit. A fine rechaustee for breakfast or cluded the Chef with a twinkle in a heavy sauce pan.

#### Dinner

Tomato Aspic Rellsh Salads. Creamed Fish and Polato Pie Spinach Diced Turnips Little Cheese Biscuits Butter or Margarine Citrus Fruit Cup

All Measurements Are Level

#### Recipes Serve Four Tomato Aspic Relish Salad

Perpare plain tomato aspie; chill until syrupy, then add 2 tbsp. sweet pickle relish. Mould in small custard cups, first rinsed with cold water. Chill until firm, about 4 hrs. Unmould on thin slices of crisp iceberg lettuce. Top with sweet pickle may-

onhaise. Sweet Pickle Mayonnaise. To 4 c. mayonnaise, add I thep, sweet pickle relish,

Creamed Fish And Potato Pie Purchase a 4 lb. cod, haddock, or any other whole fish that may be boiled. Clean and wash the fish; plunge it into boiling water nearly to cover and add 1 tosp, salt and 1 tbsp. vinegar. Cover and simmer 20

of food as it is, without spending remove the skin from the other side. Pick out all the small bones. There remove the back bone starting at the head end. Drain off any water; flake the fish in bite-sized pieces. Add it to 2 c. well-seasoned white sauce. Line n 2-qt. baking dish with: mashed potatoes. Put in the creamed fish; top with the potato, leaving it

Then lift the fish gently from the

rough; brush with a little melted margarine and bake until light brown in a moderately hot oven, 375 to 400 F. With Fish Fillets: 114 1bs. fish

fillets may be substituted for the whole fish if desired.

#### Little Cheese Bisquits

Plates for children especially Use packaged biscuit mix, or will often discourage a young child salt. With a pastry blender chop in 4 then, shortening (any kind), Add "Now in our dinner for tomorrow and mix well. Transfer the dough there is no excuse for any waste," to a board dusted with flour, Roll. 1/2 remarked the Chef. "The tomato in thick. Shape into rounds with a relish salads will be served on small biscuit cutter. Transfer to an shredded lettuce, both outside and oiled pan, and bake in a hot oven, heart leaves, and cat them, please! 400 to 425 F. for 12 min. or until the fish I shall use to make a nice very hot This makes 18 small bis-

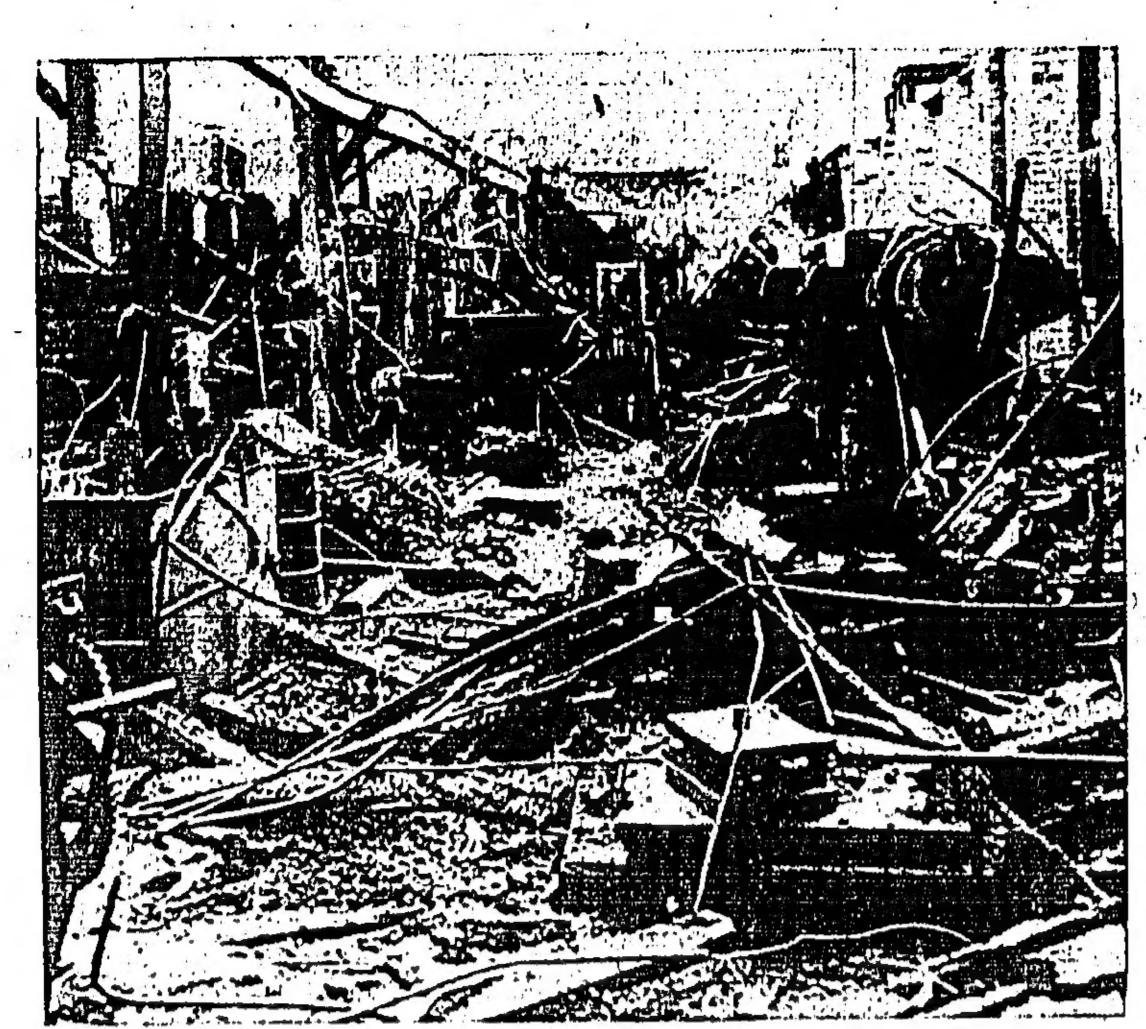
#### Trick Of The Chaf

and the extra juice can be served lunch may be made from any refor breakfust. The only contribution maining creamed fish and potato pie. to the garbage tin will be the peel- Just mash the fish and potato to-ings from the turnip. And so," con- gether, then brown quickly in fat in-



ACHESON, ARTIST-Mrs Dean Acheson, wife of the U.S. Secretary of State, paints in the attic-studio of her Georgetown home. Alice Acheson is proud of the fact that many people know her only as Alice Acheson and not as the wife of the Secretary of State. Mrs Acheson is a "third generation painter," for her mother and her father's father were both

# WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES =



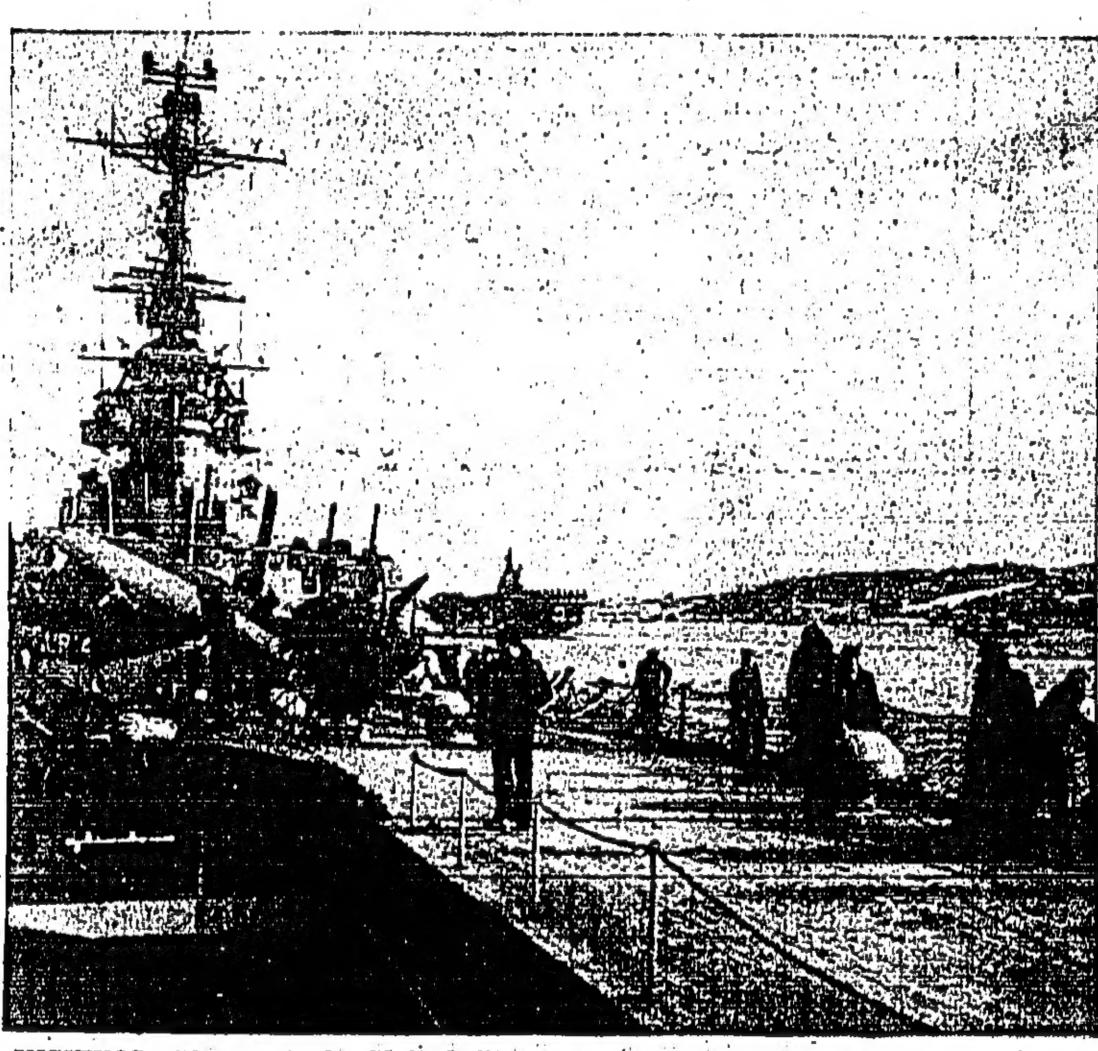
WRECKAGE-A fire in St Louis left this factory a shambles. The damage amounted to over US\$135,000, the blaze completely gutting the buildings of the tool and die company and destroying all its machinery.



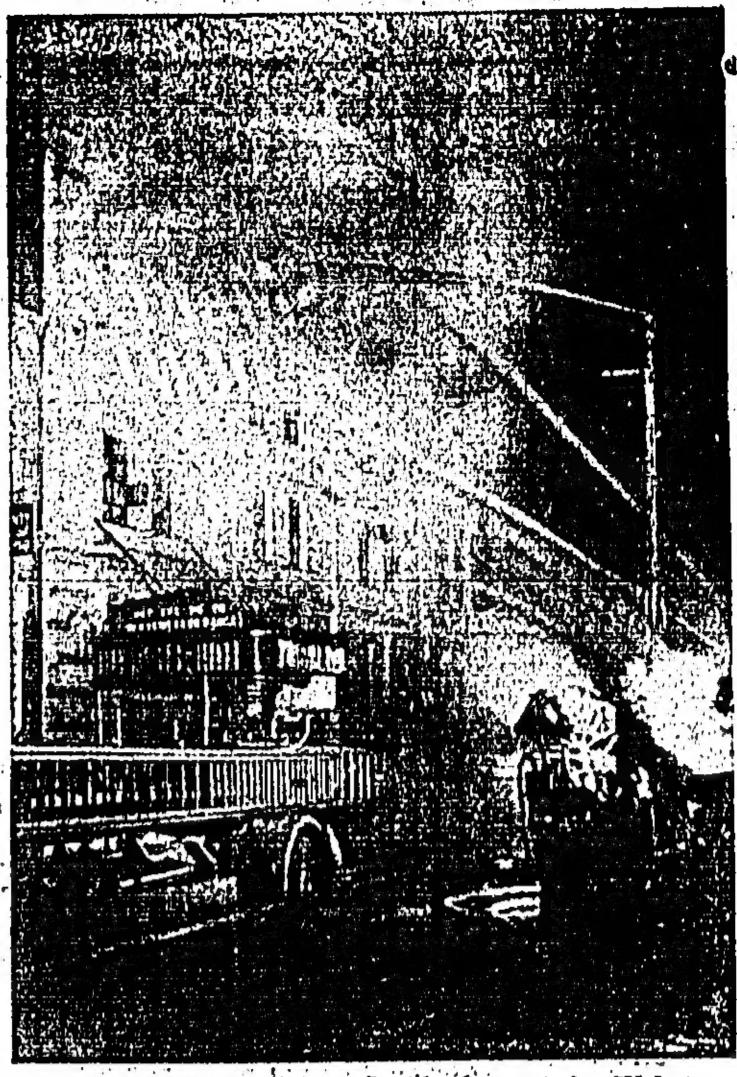
SMOKE-JUMPER-When forest fires break out in /inaccessible areas of the United States, specially trained men are flown to the scene and dropped by parachute to fight the flames. Suspended between two trees, this Forest Service parachutist is about to lower himself to the ground by rope.



daughter of Mina Orlogides, of Cairo, as Prince Michel Loutfallah makes the sign of the cross. Bishop Babylonos Ilarion, patriarchal representative in Cairo, Immerses her in the baptismal font.



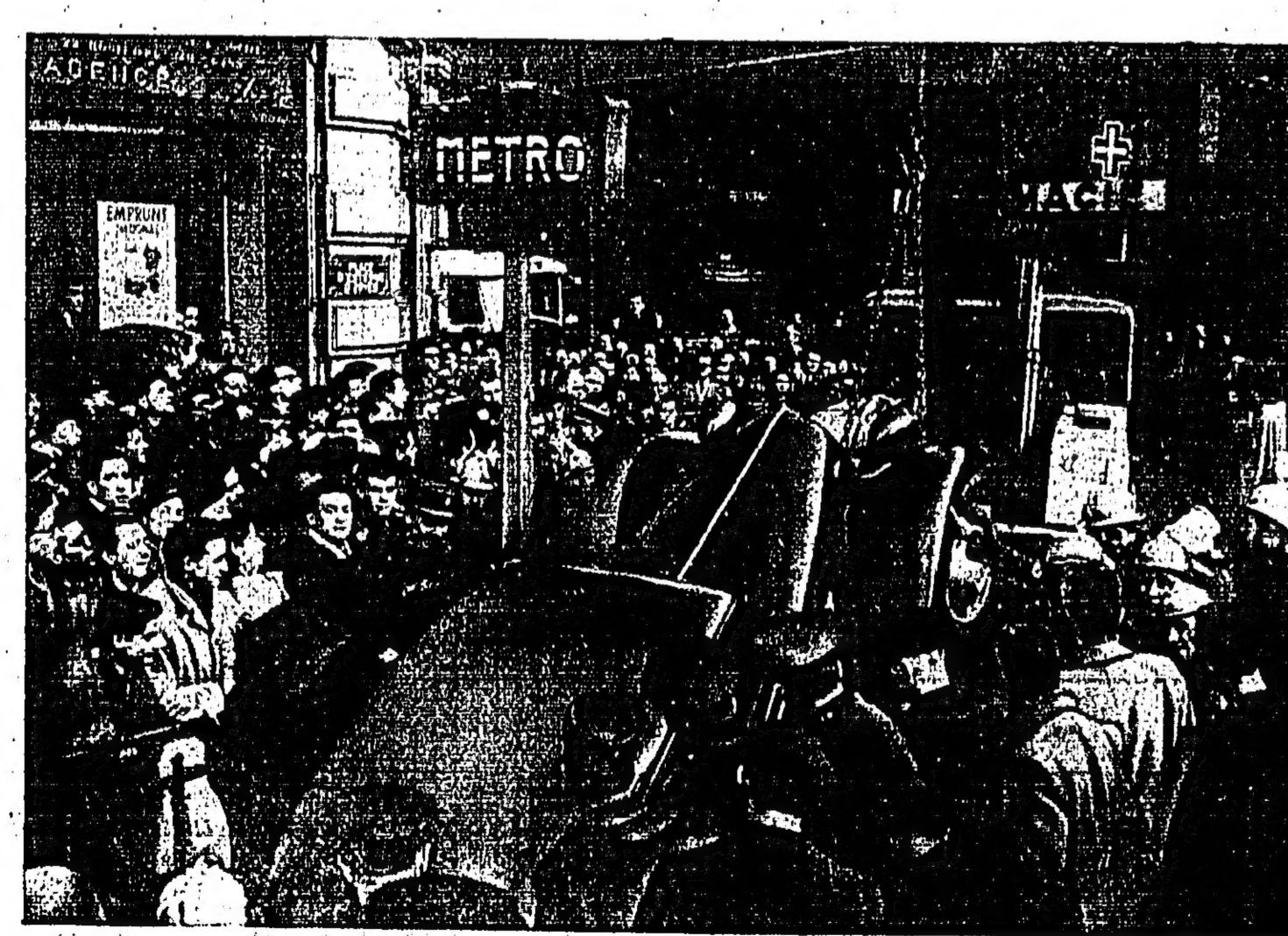
VISITING-Units of the United States Navy arrive at Istanbul, Turkey, for a courtesy visit. This photo of the aircraft carrier U.S.S. Tarawa entering Istanbul Harbour was taken from the deck of the heavy cruiser Columbus. The Tarawa was recently in Hongkong.



FIRE-FIGHTING-After fire broke out in Webster Hall, famous 86-year-old recreation centre in New York City, only the walls remained. The damage has been estimated at US\$100,000. Equipment from every fire station in the city saved surrounding buildings.



SUGAR FOR BRITAIN-John Strachey, left, British Minister of Food, watches the unloading at London docks of the first bags of sugar to be shipped under the Marshall Plan.



BEACH-WEAR-Actress

Gale Storm wears a neat

two-piece swim and play

suit in this Hollywood

HURRIED EXIT—In Paris, the underground is as crowded as it is in London. But when the driver of this car lost control, the rush hour hadn't begun and only he and a fellow passenger were hurt as it fell into the Trinite entrance to the tube. Curious Parisians gathered about the scene of the accident and watched a huge crane hoist the car out of the way.



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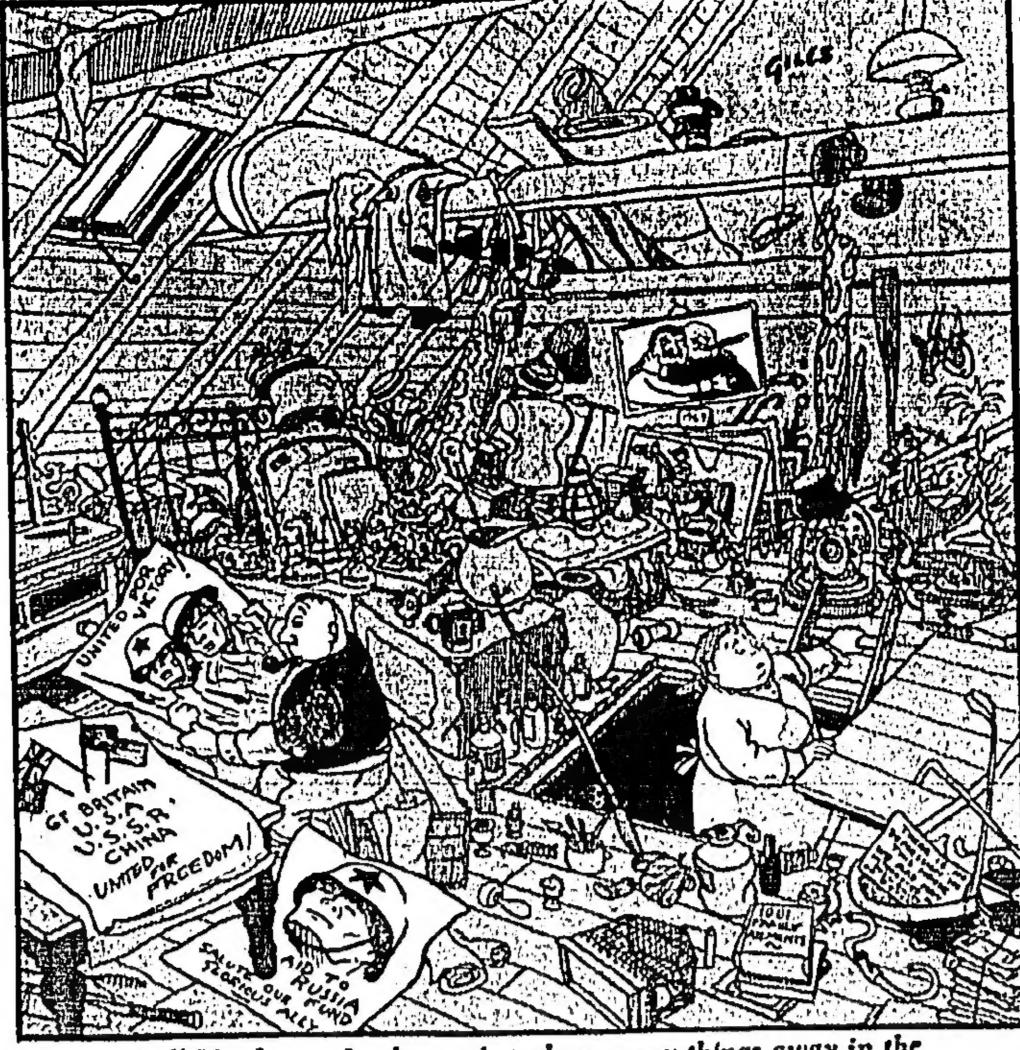


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"Oh, dear-why do people tuck so many things away in the attle and forget all about them?"

FOR THE LONG

PLAYING RECORDS

NEW YORK.

COMEONE gave me a gramophone for Christmas. It is beautiful, but as a gramophone it is already just a piece of period furniture. For the truth is that in America any gramophone you buy today is as likely as not to be obsolete tomorrow.

What the scientists call electronics and what the average American calls gimmicks (a word for any I thing tricky that is not quite understood) have moved too fast for the gramophone as we knew it.

Today it is caught up in a revolution which, by coincidence, is all over revolutions per minute. The music still goes round and round—although even that may not last much longer-but by C. V. R. THOMPSON at different speeds now.

Because of it, the American who would play all the records he can buy must have three different gramophones, or a tool-kit as extensive as a plumber's, plus a copy of How To Be A Home Electrician.

playing) started the revolution. the public would buy nothing Columbia, one of the big two but Columbia records to avoid companies in America, sneaked the nuisance of changing the being used mostly for "sound agreement on some basis that it out in time for the Christmas gadget. trade in a bid for supremacy in an industry which sells 325 ments the other day for L.P. million records, or platters as Junior — a 7in. unbreakable America calls them, every year, microgroove record which would

technical name-microgroove. There are 300, instead of just a hundred, grooves for every inch of recording surface. The record goes round at half-speed- Junior came out, along came 33-1/3 times per minute, instead of the normal 78.

grooves, gives a record which everlasting. will play 45 minutes of continuous music. A whole symphony or concerto plays without any stops and flops of record changing. A complete opera is RUT like L.P. it, too, needs

classical record, 14s. for a 10-in. record with six to eight jazz tunes on it.



RUT there was a snag. L.P. could be played on convenspecial attachment was used. And the special attachment cost £7 10s.

But L.P. paid off. In just

single-tune microgroove record. The idea was ingenious. L.P. (which stands for long- Given a large enough selection,

So out came the advertise- talkles. play as much as the conven-L.P. arrived with its own new tional 12in, record and cost 3s. instead of the usual 3s. 9d.

> strongest rival, the Radio Corporation of America, had also been at work. And, just 24 hours after L.P. "Victorgroove."

"Victorgroove," which is to be This, with the smaller made only in the small, single-tune size, is unbreakable and almost



.D special attachment, which delivered on four 12-in records, nothing like the one used for L.P. For Victorgroove, goes round at 45 THE COST-24s, for a 12-in, revolutions to the minute.

> Wallenstein blames R.C.A.'s Mr will play every known kind of Frank Folsom for starting a trade war which will help no one and hurt all of them.

Mr Folsom answered, in effect, "Nonsensel" But a neutral in the light tells me the industry is expecting to see the two giants knock each other's brains out.

tional gramophones only if a that, still another revolution may in American shops right now. break out. For there is a new . Which is why in almost every competitor in sight-the wire American home today you hear the advertisements say.

with no noticeable loss of quality. population of the world.

At present, wire recorders are broadcasts, and for making amateur amity.



**DUT** one company is waiting only to overcome the wire recorder's Engineers employed by Columbia's chief drawback-the difficulty of finding whatever part of a spool the owner wants to play-before live of trying slowly but honestly limbo of the past, buried, and marketing the first gramophone in to establish a basis of agreement, mercifully forgotten if we, standing which the music does not even go round and round.

> tion, like most revolutions, has set. produced chaos. Paul Puner, who usually sells more records than anyone else in New York, put it this way: "These new gimmleks have loused up the whole picture, but good."

What he meant was this. The public are befuddled. The 12 million people who own beautiful pieces of period furniture like mine are going to stay satisfied with them until Now Columbia's Mr Edward someone brings out a model which record again.

> And those 12 million people, like me, are going to stay satisfied with their present library of records until they know that they are not wasting their money buying up museum

Which is why nearly 1,800,000 While they are busy doing just gramophones are gathering dust recorder. Steel with a memory, as a rather hourse Blng Crosby singing . "Just one of those things,"

# NEED WE BLOW STALIN A RASPBERRY?

### by JOHN GORDON

IT seems to me that we are not being very clever in our dealings with Stalin.

even the survival of the civilised world, hang on the hair thread of whether we and Stalin can find some way to rub along together.

awesome thought; isn't it?

deal with. But we must also situation in Berlin, and that he admit that some find us and the Americans pretty tough dealers as well.

It may be true, as some say, to force war. that you cannot always accept Russia's word as her honest bond. But do not let us forget that we have some motes in are equally suspicious of gestures our own eye.

#### OUR ACES.

There is, for instance. little matter of Poland. We went to war rightly, if perhaps public a rebuff as any head of a a little foolishly, pledged to State has had for many a year. restore the freedom of Poland.

Before the war had ended Poland to Stalin over the heads our purpose.

The consequences of that deal have been very tragic for many, many Poles, although absurd, unnecessary, and highly its only inconvenience to us, so perilous to millions of human far, has been that it has robbed lives. us of a place to which we could send the engaging Mr Stanley.

Between us, we and America probably hold the ace cards of war at the moment. But time doesn't stand still. We may not hold these aces long.

three months Columbia sold a recorders, but they all use the facing us. We either accept million and a half attachments. same principle-recording sound on the theory that a mighty clash Quietly, Columbia set their a spool of magnetised steel wire or in which Britain would be in the first plank of the bridge that engineers to work producing a tape not quite as big as a bath bun. volved is inevitable between the must be built if peace and security That means that more than an U.S. and Russia-who, with the are ever to return to earth. hour's music can be played without fall of China, looks like coninterruption-millions of times over trolling 50 percent of the

> Or we try to reach a working disries" of children, for recording permits a measure of enduring

#### FOR UNITY

heinous, so horrible, so stark mad, conspicuously successful since the that if our half of the human race war. It has not sustained the high accept it then we deserve destruc- repute that Britain had in the eyes tion. I cannot conceive that the or- of most nations when the war ended. dinary peace-loving people of Britain And it has certainly not increased and America are as insane as that, the power of the Empire in world

Now, we all agree that striving midway between Stalin and Truto reach a basis of working unity man, could bring them together and with the 13 supreme rulers of Russia keep them together until a measure is just about as difficult as teaching of agreement was reached about the American's gramophone revolu- London Bridge to turn round at sun- present and the future.

#### POCKET CARTOON



And we do not make agreement any easier by tripping over each other's feet in Berlin every day of every week.

It is a pity we ever put ourselves Yet millions of lives, perhaps in that position, and we must accept the consequences. Nevertheless, these consequences need not inevitably be war.

#### HIS WORDS

There are indications that we may be opening a new chapter. Stalin, in a news interview, declares that he would like a mutual non-aggres-Now, we all agree that sion agreement with the U.S., that Stalin is a tough old ogre to which would end the dangerous would like to meet President Truman to talk things over.

That's a gesture. It is at least a move which suggests a desire for peace rather than a determination

It is ture that long experience has taught us to be a little wary of gestures from Stalin, but we must remember that he and his cohorts we may make. But what reply do we make? We

send him a raspberry.

"Explain yourself a little more. Tell us what you have in mind." We give him instead as rude and He is told that President Truman will see him any time he cares to

We do not trouble even to say

travel to Washington. When Stalin replies that he is an we-and America-according old man, which is true, and an alito the Polish version, sold ing man, which is probably true, and suggests instead a choice of places that could be reached more of the Poles because it suited easily by him, the abrupt retort is-Washington or nothing.

#### TEST IT

Now, I think that attitude is

One day, unless we wish to see this planet of ours go up in the flames of the most terrifying conflagration man has ever lit, we must build a bridge between Russia and the Western world.

It is the height of folly merely to stand making faces and rude noises at each other across the chasm. However much we may doubt Stalin's good faith, would it not be-

There are a dozen different wire We have two alternatives wise at least to put it to the test? Why not accept his approach, with all the caution necessary, and try to see whether we can at least lay

#### THAT BRIDGE

The two 'prime opponents are Russia and the United States. We play a lesser part because, in population and industrial production, our strength is far below theirs. But our lesser part could become the greater part if we could get between these potential belligerents and begin to build that bridge.

Is that course beyond us? I think the first alternative is so Our foreign policy has not been

We are thus left with the alterna- All that could be thrown into the

But let me emphasise that by: agreement I do not mean appeasement. If Stalin merely wants us: to throw him a juicy bone or two, we can assure him with all bluntness that the Munich days are over.

#### UNORTHODOX

What is making our diplomatic gentlemen so unhappy over Stalin's gesture? Apparently the fact that his way of approach was unorthodox. He did not send it through the usual channels nicely set out in a letter beginning "Honoured Sirs" and ending "Your obedient servant," Is unorthodoxy a cardinal sin so helnous that it can never be coun-

tenanced? Truman will not go to Warsaw. Stalin will not go to Washington.

Can't we intervene and offer a location which both could agreeupon without loss of dignity. Isn't it worth trying?

Surely dignity and orthodoxy arenot of more vital importance. than peace?

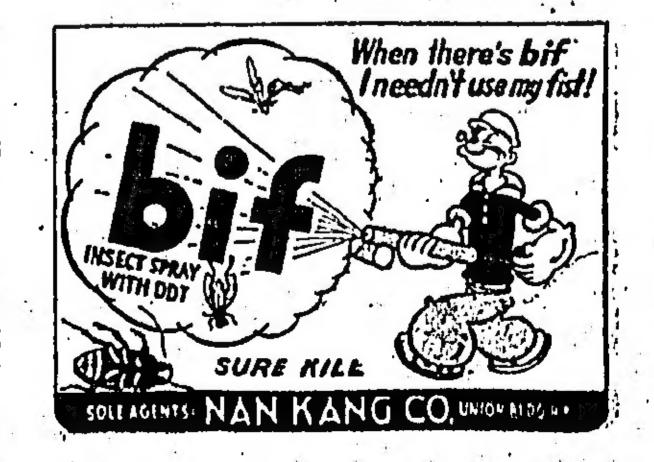
Change of Pace











# JUDGMENT FOR PLAINTIFF WOO CASE

# Purchaser's "Good Bargain"

Judgment for plaintiff was delivered by the Chief Justice, Sir Leslie Gibson, at the Supreme Court this morning in the action brought by the Shui Hing Company, 187-195 Des Voeux Road Central, against the solicitor, Hangkan Kwintung Woo, of Messrs Woo and Woo, Prince's Building, for specific performance of an agreement for the sale of No. 48 Kennedy Road and that Woo execute a proper conveyance of the property.

The plaintiff, Liu Lan-fung, alias Liu Ah-lan, widow of Koo Shui-ting, alias Koo Wan-shing, was represented by Mr H. G. Sheldon, KC and Mr D. A. L. Wright, instructed by Mr E. S. C. Brooks (Hastings), while the Hon Leo d'Almada, KC and

Mr Brook A. Bernacchi, were instructed by Mr Woo.

Justice said: of a house No. 48 Kermedy Rund. the date of the agreement of 50,000 yen not for Japanese eyes, why was the on account of the purchase price. This vendor prepared to acknowledge payment payment was duly made and is ac- in full? knowledged by endormement on the agreement. The purchase was to be completed within a month, but time was not of essence of the agreement. The defendant undertook to give a title free from encumbrances-n clause being paid the very day the agreement

perty have not been discharged.

the plaintiff's claim by a number of defences with which I must now deal. The pleadings on behalf of the defendant were amended no less, than three times-once before the hearing and twice during the hearing, I cannot commend this system of pleading but the amendments were allowed and must be considered accordingly. the fraudulent intention was neither of defence. Allegations of fraud are not Debtor and Creditor (Occupation Period)

concerned in the negotiation of the decision. agreement for sale were the purchaser, the late Mr P. Y. Woo (a solicitor who the fate Mr P. Y. Woo (a solicitor who represented both sides and was incidentally the defendant's son). Cheuk Ming To (an employee of Mr P. Y. Woo and the broker in the transaction), and Chan Un Chau (the defendant's attorney). Cheuk Ming To was concessed only in the early negotiations before Mr P. Y. Woo's arrest by the Japanese—the date of which was variously described as May, June or July, 1943, and gave evidence that the price offered by the purchaser was 68,000 yen with an advance of 50,000 yen. He said P. Y. Woo, but

This brings me to two arguments put forward by Air D'Almada for the defendant which may conveniently be considered together. They are that by and 11 of the Debtor and Creditor and 11 of the of 50,000 yen. He said P. Y. Woo, but As regards the question of frustration, not (he thought) the purchaser men-the defendant has pleaded (and Mr Lloned the dollar equivalent. Chan Un D'Almada argued) that it was an implied

Japanese riots of 1937-1938, and, by implication, thought Koo Wan Sing had influence with the Japanese. Chan Un Chau said he accepted the balance of the purchase price in yen without anything being said—the implication

that I thought it might disclose some the mortgage debts are discharged at ground on which the defendant might the rate of exchange provided for in be able to resist the equitable remedy the Ordinance. No reason has been of specific performance. Having care- given why the agreement could not fully considered the evidence, however, have been specifically performed before I am of the clear opinion that the the Ordinance on the basis of the diswritten agreement was the only agree- charge of the mortgages by the payment between the parties and that, even ments in yen in fact made. Once the if any question of payment in dollars legal estate had, (under the then had arisen prior to the signing of the existing law) been got in from the mortagreement, it had been abandoned gages and the property assigned to the when the agreement was signed, purchaser, I do not think section 11

Giving judgment, the Chief | There was no evidence whatever to | was influential, with the Japanese and In this action the plaintiff, Liu Lan I am surprised that this allegation tike Fong clies' Liu Ah Lan, as administratrix the allegation of fraud) was not withe of the estate of her late husband Koo drawn. This being so, why should the Shiu Ting, alias Koo Wan Sing, claims, purchaser, any more than the vendor, be specific performance of an agreement willing to defy the Japanese law at the dated August 18, 1943 and made between risk of long imprisonment or heavy fine? her late bushand and the defendant Mr. And if the parties were prepared to run H. K. Woo for the sale by the defendant the risk, why did they not show the purchase price in dollars in the agreeof a house No. 48 Kennady Road.

The agreement was executed on behalf of the defendant by his attorney Chan Un Chau, the defendant bimself being the time in Free China, whither he at the time in Free China, whither he shown to the Japanese? The assignment had gone by reason of circumstances in English form was for use after the created by the Japanese invarion of Japanese occupation and the purchaser Hongkong. The agreement specifics the would have an interest to have the purchase price as 68,000 Japanese military purchase price expressed in dollars, but, yen and provides for the payment on since this document par excellence was

#### EVIDENCE DOUBTED Why was the payment of the pur-

chase price accepted in yen-50,000 yen of some importance because pre-occupa- was signed? Duress and undue influence tion mortgages were outstanding to the are alleged but even Chan Un Chau's tune of liks103,000. The balance of own evidence (and, as I have indicated, the purchase price was in due I am not prepared to accept him as eourse paid in military yen, the completely truthful) is not evidence of amounts outstanding in respect of duress or undue influence. Mr P. Y. Woo amounts outstanding and in military gave the parties legal advice as to their ven, the first morigages executed a re- position under Japanese law (which they ven, the first moriganes and assign- clearly knew before they signed the ments of the property in favour of the agreement for sale) and Koo said purchaser were executed in English, nothing. Then again, if the purchaser Chinese and Japanese forms, For some had been guilty of the dishonourable reason the transaction was not carried tactics alleged, why is it that the deto completion by registration, either fendant, himself a very experienced with the Japanese authorities or under solicitor, was willing to pass unthe British law of Hongkong, and the challenged a statement in Koo Wan difficulty now is that by reason of sec. Sing's letter of October, 1943 that the tions 3 and 11 of the Dehtor and Credi- price was "68,000 yen in military notes (Occupation Period) Ordinance, equivalent to \$272,000 in Hongkong cur-1948, the mortgage debts on the pro- rency" and why is it that neither defendant nor his attorney (a solicitor's clerk) ever put in writing the allegation It was pleaded on behalf of the that the purchase price should have plaintiff that by a letter (written on been paid in dollars until May, 1948? 30 October, 1943) the defendant ralified. The auggestion is that the matter the sale of the property, but Mr Shelden, was being discussed verbally and had (for the plainliff) abandoned this plea, been referred to counsel. Perhaps it is so, but that is not enough to explain the absence of some formal written protest. I have no doubt that the reason why the agreement provided for payin yen and payment was in fact made in yen (as were the purported repayments of the mortgages) was simply that the parties contracted on the basis ot the Japanere law,

real agreement between the parties was servations on matters not dealt with

#### TWO ARGUMENTS This brings me to two arguments put

Chan gave evidence that the offer, prior to Mr P. Y. Woo's priest, was serviced to the agreement for sale that the encumbrances should be paid off out encumbrances should be paid off out of the purchase money and in the same tintions, were continued by the negowoo's release in August, 1943' the negotinions were continued by the purchaser and Mr P. Y. Woo, he (Chan Un Chau) being present at some of the talks, that the price was increased to \$270,000 with brokerage of \$2,000, that it was increased to was agreed that the price should be paid in dollars although this, was prohibited by Japanese law, and that he would not have signed the agreement. would not have signed the agreement if he had not thought the price was to be paid in dollars, or if he had thought the price was to that the purchase water that there was no implied term, and that there was no implied term, and that there was no implied term, and that the purchase water that the purchase was no implied term, and the purchase was no implied term, and the purchase was no implied term. that the purchase price was insufficient must still consider his second line of to discharge the mortgages. ASKED TO TAKE YEN

Dealing with the payment of the advance of 50,000 'yen on the day the agreement was signed, he explained that Koo Wan. Sing said he had no dollars and asked him (Chan Un Chau) if he would accept yen, that he (Chan Un Chau) asked Mr P. Y. Woo if he had to accept and Mr P. Y. Woo if he had to accept and Mr P. Y. Woo advised him to do so saying "You must accept, otherwise you will get into trouble" and that Koo Wan Sing said nothing. Chan Un Chau, apparently regarded Koo Wan il are retrospective to cover the mortage Sing's silence as sinister because he had heard that Koo Wan Sing's firm had been involved in an incident in the antiJapanese riots of 1937-1938, and, by imsections 3 and 11 do in fact strike at the root of the agreement and so frus-

trate it. I did not understand Mr D'Almada to contend that performance of the agreebeing that he continued under the duress ment became impossible (given that alleged in connection with the first there was no implied term as alleged) and I do not think that there was in I allowed the evidence of the alleged fact any impossibility in performance. secret agreement or representation that the purchase price would be paid in dinance to prevent a little free from dollars to be given solely on the basis encumbrances from being given now if

No doubt the mortgager would have remained liable on his personal covenants to comply with section 3, but as regards the legal estates of the mortgagees section 11(1) merely provides that the mortgages shall be deemed not to have been extinguished, i.e. it creates a legal fiction, and the consequences of this legal fiction are set out in section 11(2). There is nothing in section 11(2) to suggest that where, under the law existing before the Ordinance, a mortgagee has lust the legal estate in favour of a purchaser, the purchaser must provide security. The estate and all he could do, or be ordered by the Court to do, would be to replace the mortgage with equivalent

But an agreement may be fruscertain circumstances trated in there is no absolute impossibility of performance, Lord Simon, in Cricklewood Property and Investment Trust Ltd. v. Leighton's Investment Trust Lid, 1945 A. C. 221 at p. 228 put forward one of many definitions of the doctrine of frustration in the following terms:-

"Frustration may be defined as the the time of its premature determination, owing to the occurrence of an intervening event or change of circumstances so fundamental as to be regarded by the law both as striking at the root of the agreement, and as entirely beyond what was contemplated by the parties when they entered into the egreement.

Now, of course, neither side could in fact have contemplated the enactment of the Ordinance. As far as the purchaser was concerned, it would not have mattered even if he had contemplated it. It was a matter of indifference to him how the mortgages were discharged so long as he got a good title. As far as the vendor was concerned, he could not have avoided the effect of the Ordinance on his liability to the mortgagees whether he made the agreement or not.

#### NO FRUSTRATION

is involved, apart from the question of Since this case is before me in first the mortgages, nothing has happened to instance, I have thought it right to make change his position. No doubt he hoped, findings of fact in respect of matters when he made the agreement, to pay which constitute the defendant's first off the mortgages out of the purchase Party. legation that endorsements had been line of defence, but actually it seems to price and possibly be would not have made on certain correspondence "with me to be extremely doubtful whether made the agreement if he could have featifulent intention." The nature of me to be extremely doubtful succeed even foreseen the ensemble of the Ordinance that line of defence could succeed even forescen the enactment of the Ordinance if I had been prepared to find that the but I cannot regard these mental rethat the purchase price should be paid the agreement as going to the root of Mr D'Almada, who led for the defendant, in Hongkong dollars. I say this because the agreement and I am therefore of properly and wisely abandoned this line of the terms of section 4 (b) of the opinion that there was no frustration, the Soviet Union not just difficult Ordinance, 1948. The effect of that fairness and hardship-matters which but impossible." The Communist ordinance, apply and care an obligation has arise when an equitable remedy is benches applicated the statement plaintiff's claim is challenged is that the theoretical agreement between the parties was that the purchase price should be tency and payment is made which is the fixed by the agreement of the property tency and payment is made which is the fixed by the agreement and agreement of the property and payment is made which is the fixed by the agreement and payment is made which is the fixed by the agreement and payment is made which is the fixed by the agreement and payment is made which is the fixed by the agreement and payment is made which is the fixed by the agreement and payment is made which is the fixed by the agreement and payment is made which is the fixed by the agreement and payment is made which is the fixed by the agreement and payment is made which is the fixed by the agreement and payment is made which is the fixed by the agreement and payment is made which is the fixed by the agreement and payment is made which is the fixed by the agreement and payment is made which is the fixed by the agreement and payment is made which is the fixed by the agreement and payment is made which is the fixed by the agreement and payment is made which is the fixed by the agreement and payment is made which is the fixed by the agreement and payment and payment is made which is the fixed by the f HK\$272,000—the figure 60,000 yen being equivalent in occupation currency calling to the comply with Japanese entired to comply with Japanese entired to comply with Japanese entired to exchange change for yen was failing in the latter to the control of the contr inserted to comply with Japanese culated at the official rate of exchange confective from June 1, 1943, and effective from June 1, 1943, made military yen the only permissible currency and forbade the use of Hongkong dollars unwent to only permissible currency and forbade the use of Hongkong dollars under the development of the payment in occupation currency is a valid discharge. It will further be a valid discharge. It will describe a valid and the first of the purchase of the purchase price, that Chan Un Chan and that the payments and the conditions is made if extended to the vendor to carry out the purchase price, that Chan Un Chan and the purchase price, that Chan Un Chan and the correspondence between the valid payments of the purchase price, that Chan Un Chan and that the payments of the purchase price, that Chan Un Chan and the correspondence to the vendor to the suffer no hardship if he was now asked to complete. In fact the price of the property has soared, and this being so the vendor has made a bad bargain. A the vendor has made a bad bargain. A bad bargain in itself cannot amount to unfairness or hardship and there is no doctrine of equity to deprive a purchaser of a good bargain if it has been fairly people and by the peoples of other the property has soared, and this being so do not want war. It is their administrators who have already made ministrators who have already made their choice—war—and who want to see their choice endorsed by their people and by their people and by the people of other that the price of the people is the people and by the people of other that the price of the people is the people and by the people of other that the price of the people is the people in the people is the people in the people in the people in the people is the people in the people is the people in the p

It follows that the plaintiff is entitled countries."-Reuter. to specific performance of the agreement and to the costs of the action.

# Cinema Showing "Sins Of India" Film Picketed

New York, Feb. 24.—Indlan students in New York picketed a cinema in Times Square today in protent against the showing of the film "India Speaks," which they described as "un-American"

and a "hindrance to Indo-American friendship."

The students distributed protest pamphicts outside the cinema, standing in front of gaudy hoardings showing virtually nude white women being "sacrificed to Buddha."

The distributors of "India Speaks," Film Classics of the Americas, claimed today that the film was a "straight travelogue with no fiction." They said it had been filmed in India, "10 or 15 years ago" and had recently been reissued.

The students objected to the film itself and its advertising, claiming that there was obscently in both. The advertising contains such "blurbs" as these; "India-Mother of 10,000 Sins;" India-Speaks of Mountains alive with Monks and Polyandrous Women;" "See where White Women are treated like Cuttle-and Cattle worshipped like Gods;" "See where White Girls are sacrificed to Buddha."-Reuter,

# Thorez's "We Won't Fight" Statement Sent To Prosecutor

Queuille, told the French National Assembly tonight that the Communist leader, M. Maurice Thorez's statement that, "should the Soviet Army come to France, French workers would behave towards it as did the workers of Poland and Rumania," had been sent to the Public Prosecutor's Office.

The Premier made it clear that it was now up to

M. Thorez had repeated his statement, originally made earlier this week, in the Assembly today. Five hundred and fifty French deputies from Communists to Gaullists and extreme right-wingers rose to inment between parties, lawfully entered dicate their agreement when M. into and in course of operation at Educard Herriot, the Speaker of the Chamber, asked if the House wished for an immediate discussion of the

M. Queuille warned the Communists that the Government would not tolerate any campaign to demoralise the Army. "All those who come the Courts of Justice," he declared.

Communists were less able to exploit economic discontent and they were therefore looking for new means of continuing their "iniquitous propaganda," he ndded.

Earlier, a right wing deputy, M. Plerre Andre, urged the Government to outlaw the Communist

M. Thorez said he welcomed the opportunity to repeat his statement. He said: "The workers of France and the friends of peace will do everything to render war against

people and by, the peoples of other

### SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



"Oh, we'll box and wrestle and play leapfrog and jumping jack on the beds. Mrs. Jones-don't worry, they'll be tired out before you got home!"

# Paris, Feb. 24.—The French Premier, M. Henri

the law officers to decide whether to take any action.

# INNOCENCE

#### His Past Record Is Produced

A man with three previous into conflict with the law, under- convictions for larceny and one mining the morale of the Army, will for breach of a deportation have to answer for their acts before order, but who claimed that he After three years of Communist had never stolen anything in his agitation, confidence had now re- life, was sentenced to 15 months turned to the country, he said. The by Mr d'Almada at Central this morning for larceny and breach of a deportation order.

He was Leung Wing-man, a 38year-old foki of the Shanghai Transport Company, who stole a table cloth and 13 napkins from the Swatow Lace Company, Pedder Street, on February 22.
Defendant called a Police officer

to give evidence on his behalf, PC 2542, Sit Wun-cheong, sald he knew defendant when he was in Shanghai. As far as he knew, defendant, was a businessman. He did not know what happened to defendant after he left Shanghai,

When asked if he had anything to say, defendant said: I am a lawabiding person. I have never stolen M. Thorez said his statement had anything in my life. What's more, observed Mr d'Almada. "I am

(London Relay): 7.15, Spot Bandbox"
(Stidfo): 7.30, "Variey Bandbox"
(BBCTS): 8.00, "From the Editorials"
(London Relay): 810, "The Man Born To
(London Relay): 8.55, Albert Sandler
Be King" (BBCTS); 8.55, Albert Sandler
and His Orchestra in a Programme of
Continuous Music: 0:15, "Here Comes the
Continuous Music: 0:15, "Here Comes the
Copper" by Henry Wade read by Clifford
Relay): 10.15, "Wil Six" A
reel (London Relay): 10.15, "Wil Six" A
reel (London Relay): 11.15, Weather Report
(London Relay): 11.15, Weather Report and Close Down.

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Chungking, 3.50 p.ra. Shanghai, Nanking, Tsingtao, Swatow, Air Parcel Posts for Mantia, Honolulu and USA, (CPO) 4.30 p.m.; (GPO) 5 p.m., Ordinary Airmail (Printed Matters, Samples and Small Packet Posts) for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, and USA. Amoy and Taipeh. 3.80 p.m. Canada, 5 (CPO) 4.30 p.m.; (GPO) 5 p.m. Japan, o p.m. Closing Times By Sea Manila, Maurithus, Mombasa, Beirs,

Marques and South Africa Via Durban, Amoy and Japan, 3 p.m. Holhow, Pakhot via Hothow and Ran-FOOD, 3 D.M. PEBRUARY 26 Closing Times By Air Swatow and Amoy, 0,50 a.m. (reg); in from Pretoria by special trains Minister, Mr Eric Louw, said tonight

Shanghal, 9 am. (reg); 930 am. (ord). Manile, 11.30 a.m. Swatow, Amoy, Shanghal, Taingtao, Nanking, Chungking and Talpeh, 3.30 Bangkok, 5 p.m. Closing Times By Bea

Sairon, 10 a.m. Manila, I D.M. Caylon, Madagascar, Mauritius, East Queens



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#### MORE RIOTS The witness, Mr P. R. Pather,

patrols of armed police and He urged the Commission to rioting by Africans.

refugee camps.

by the weekend.

being circulated among Africans Durban, Feb. 24. - Strong urging them to rise against the

secretary of the Natal Indian Organisation, said pamphlets were

armoured cars, backed by naval take "stern steps." The Chairman, and military detachments, start- Justice Van Den Heever, promised ed patrolling Durban today to to "impress on the proper authorities that every precaution should be check feared now anti-Indian laken against the recurrence of the deplorable events." Police reinforcements are coming South Africa's Economic Affairs

tonight but many Indians have that Indian newspapers published storted fleeing back to special "particularly disgraceful" accounts of the recent Durban-Indian riots. An Indian witness at today's He told the National Assembly in session of the Commission inquiring Capetown that zealous corresponinto last month's riots, when 120 dents from the United States and Africans and Indians lost their lives, elsewhere had assisted General-Jan forecast a new "slaughter" of In- Smuts' intense anti-Government and Bouth Africa, Karachi and Bombay, dians, and said Africans were openly campaign with the object of undersaying there would be-more riots mining oversens confidence in Bouth Africa.-Reuter.

## By "RECORDER" RECREIO TAKE A REST

Club de Recreio, who lead the First Division of the Cricket League, have a relatively casy prospect of it at King's Park tomorrow against Royal Navy, while Army, closest challengers, should be out at Kai Tak taking on the RAF. No confirmation could be obtained this morning as to whether the latter match is on. If it is, Army face a hurdle in the championship race that will not be an easy

At King's Park, Recreio batting will face relatively good bowling from Hart and White but the Navy batting can hardly be expected to do as well as Recreio and the chances are that the match will be very one-sided.

were in early season and are un- enn "elick." predictable when there is big game | Look out for the lowest score of | Let Koh really get busy as he did to slaughter.

little less than, a devastating victory Pokfulam and this match is likely for the Scorpions. There is an out- to develop into the same type of side chance . that Billimoria . and thriller that saw University win by Crabtree, both on their best form if four runs last November. they can manage it, may cut down | The undergraduates, who are used on the winning margin.

It is anybody's guess what is go- | Craigengower batting is in a bad | not be overawed by Minu. Their bating to happen at Cox's Path where | way. Souza, Ramchand and J. R. | ting, even without Gosano, is like-Optimists travel to meet the KCC. Irance could possibly stand up to ly to knock up as much against IRC The home team are a more balanced whoever will bowl for the Scorpions, bowling as IRC, if comfortable and spirited organisation than they but it isn't every day that all three against Koh on a matting wicket,

At Chater Road, however, , I see | University are at home to IRC at

to facing J. C. Koh at the nets, will

The Malayans are favourites but

In Action

seen in action today when the

Colony Open Grasscourt Tennis

Best game of the evening sees

China National Games Tournament.

Another seeded player, H. A.

while the holder, Tsui Wai-pui

Yun-put in the quarter-final in 1947.

W. Solberg (Court 4) Wong Shek-

Paris Tourney

United States star, and Henri

Cochet, of France, entered the final

of the men's doubles in the French

International Covered Courts Lawn

Tennis Championships today with a

straight sets win over the Italian

Davis Cup players, Cucelli and del

Parker and Cochet, combining

brilliantly, won 6-2, 6-2, 6-1. In

pair, Marcel Bernard and Jean

Borotra, who defeated Massip and

The Frenchmen beat the Spani-

ards after a thrilling five sets

struggle 0-2, 4-0, 7-9, 0-4, 6-3.-

WORLD RECORD

seconds set up in 1944 by her com-

yards free style.

Parls, Feb. 24.—Frank Parker,

meets B. T. Gosano on Court 6,

and a close match should ensue.

man v. J. V. Sellors (Court 5).

Three seeded players will be

# Sellout Crowd For Thomas Cup Final

Preston, England, Feb. 24.—Sellout crowds of 2,000 fans will witness the finals of the Thomas Cup World Badminton Tournament on Friday and Saturday nights between Malaya and Denmark.

"Every seat and every foot of standing room has gone". said one of the hosts, "and we could have sold another 2,000 seats on Saturday. Many persons travelling long distances will have to be turned away."

dotton manufacturing town in Lan- the Union Jack flying in the cham- R. W. Franklin and F. Thorpe. cashire and had a look at the areas, ptonship," he said, "and we hope a new swimming bath. The pool to win the trophy for the Comhas been covered over and will monwealth." serve as the court:

The Malayans, Pacific Zone repre- | Lancashire Badminton fans, who scalatives who eliminated the are about the keenest in Britain. United States by 6 matches to 3 in | believe the Danes will be tough to the sem!-finals this week at Glas- beat .- Associated Press. gow travelled over to Blackpool today for a civic reception and some COLONY TENNIS breath of sea air.

The defented Yanks stopped here en route to London for the English open Badminton championships to see the struggle for the big cup presented by Sir George Thomas. This is the first competition for it.

CIVIC RECEPTION Friday, all three teams-Malayans,

Danes and Americans—will be guests of the Preston Mayor, Mr Alderman Robert Ainsworth, at a civic reception and luncheon.

captain and manager of the Malayans, talked with the same evening. quiet confidence as when he arrived in London with his team from Chay Tin-fook, considered one of the most improved players of the Singapore last December. season, in action against Lee Boon-

#### Softball League Standings SENIOR LEAGUE

(Unofficial)

Lost Perct.

Saints ...... Madeaps ....... 14 Acces to the second .......... Chung Hwa ..... **IUNIOR LEAGUE** Lost Perct Braves .....

Jaguara ...... Mohawks ..... Blackhawka ..... Rexes ....... Vikings ..... Rangers ...... LADIES' LEAGUE Wahoon ...... u Canadiennes .....

BATTING AVERAGES 306 the final they meet the French Guterres, Madeaps 14 43' 17 C. Bakar, Canucks ... 15 55 . 347 Bartroli, of Spain, in the other semi-Bucks, Saints .... 13 46 16 R. Sequeira, M'caps . 14 46 16 L. Luz, H.K.H.C. . 12 54 16 B. Woo, Canucks . . 13 42 14 347 final today.

WEEK-END GAMES Highlighted by the crucial Canucks-Madeaps Senior Loop tilt on Sunday, this week-end's softball programme will

Senior League, Sunday, At Recreio. 10.30 a.m., VRC v Filipinos (Umpires, Hal Wing Lee, Blm Ablong, P. C. Wong, scorer, Philo Remedios). 2 p.m., Canucks v Madeaps (Umpires, Chas, Figuiredo, Ingmar Eriksen, Fred Diesta; scorer, Philo Remedios), At C.B.A., Noon, Chung Hwa v Saints (Umpires, "Doc" Molthen, Nugget Ebrahlm, Edo Almeida; scorer, Hal Wing Lee). 2 pan., Khalsa v HKBC (Umpires, Dick Chung, P. F. Chay, S. C. Wong; scorer, Allsa Terry Juntor Loop, Saturday, At Recrelo

2.30 p.m., Rangers v Jaguars (Umpires, Philo Remedios, Robin IIII. Umberto Mose; scorer, Tony Baptisia), Suriday, At Recreio, D a.m., Blackhawks v Vikings (Umpires, Philo Remedios, Tony Kwok, Raiph Peruco; scorer, Buster Hollands) Noon, Rexes v Wildfires (Umpires, 'I Malig. A. Malig. L. Rocha: scorer, Sabu | record-holder, left by nir today, ne- Bislet Stadium, but 'no trace has 6 feet 8.

Ladles Circuit, Saturday, At Recrele 4 p.m., Wildeats v Pirates (Umpires, Bill Silva, Frankle Correa, Offic Vas).

are likely to score in their turn.

against the Navy and we will see IRC in a rare mess. I would suggest opening the bowling with Koh and Professor Ride and leaving it to-Lean and Teh to take care of the tail if there is any left after that, BIG MATCH

The big match of the week is the Intra-Club affair at Chater Road on Sunday between the Scorpions and the Optimists.

Neither team was able to manage a win in the two League matches in which Scorplons and Optimists met and this is a deciding fixture, starting at 11 a.m. to permit time enough for the bowlers to work on the two most difficult batting sides to dismiss chenply.

The teams will be: Scorpions: T. A. Pearce (Captain), O. J. Kerr, M. Newton, I. N. MacLeod, D. H. Leach, H. Owen-Hughes, G. B. Gibbons, A. P. Weir, E. F. Gee, J. D. Clague and A. N. Other.

Optimiste: L. D. Kilbee (Captain), A. S. Erson, N. R. Oliver, M. Wood, W. J. Slagter, N. E. Arthy, G. T. Both teams have settled into this | "We have the honour of keeping | Rowe, K. A. Miller, D. McLellan,

#### Missed Catches, Lost Matches

London, Feb. 24.--Many a cricketer has gone on to make a big score after being missed by a fieldsman and often such an error has changed the whole course of the game.

often crops up, both at home and in oversens tours, and the Somerset County Committee have not minced their words in referring to the faults in their own team. In their annual report, the Somerset Committee state that the County's weaknesses last season were a lack of really first class batsmen, Championships resume at the the most elementary ideas of call-

Hongkong Cricket Club this ing or running between wickets, lack of fast or even medium fast length bowlers and a lifeless field-All of which at first glance leaves very little room for anything to be right with the team. The irony of

sing, the young Java player who gave a spectacular exhibition in the Maurice Tremlett's dazzling cricket doubles against the Tsui brothers last year when en route to the in South Africa against a Natal | through as a high jumper. team, when he scored 105 and 63 Ayres, meets Fritze Lin on Court 1,

Of considerable interest will be the rather than as a bowler and they Brigade office. game between George Choa and may be inferring that if he concen- Valberg used the "belly roll," or What's more, he wants to have Somerset were saved from a dis- 6 feet 3 inches. year, when the South Africans were portunities. in England.-Reuter.

> Batting Preferred Colombo, Feb. 24.-The two-day match between the West Indies touring team und a Ceylon Combined-

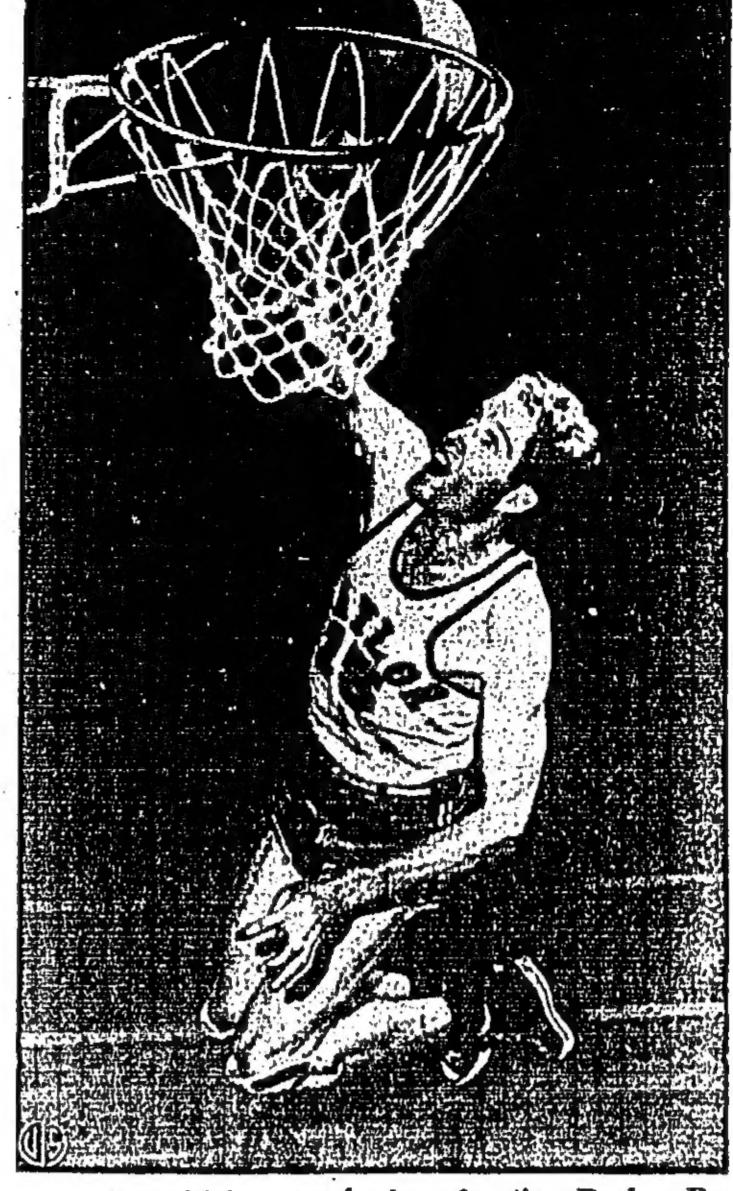
Schools XI ended at the Colombo

Oval today in a draw. The West Indies declared at their overnight score of 481 for 7 and then dismissed the Schools for 178. Indies did not enforce the follow- later. on and batted a second time. They were drawn.-Reuter.

### Popular Democrats Prefer Oslo

Feb. 24.—Two minutes before their departure Copenhagen, Feb. 24.-Miss Greto Oslo for home today, the Hun-Andersen, Danish Olympic swim- garian skaters, Kornel Pajor, ming champion, tonight bettered who won the world speedskating the women's world record for 100 title last week-end, and Janos Killan, and the Hungarian team trainer. Swimming unpaced, she returned Wazulek, dashed from the alreadys time of 58.2 seconds, compared station and disappeared into the with the official record of 59.4 streets of Oslo.

They had just received their bed their suffcases Parls, Feb. 24.-Alex Jany, The rest of the team left by plane | Stanich falled dismally at Wemgirl in Oslo.—Reuter.



UP & IN

Don Heathington, spark plug for the Baylor Bears, scrambles up to drop the egg in the basket. Don stands six feet three inches and once scored 64 points in a high school game. A junior, Heathington led the Bears to runner-up honours in the NCAA last season.

#### SINGAPORE'S ONE-MAN OLYMPIC TEAM

# This question of "missed chances" LLOYD VALBERG HOPES TO HURDLE AT HELSINKI

By MILTON MARMOR

The lanky fireman who marched so proudly into Wembley Stadium last summer as Singapore's one-man Olympic Team says he's "had it" as a high jumper.

But the 27-year-old Lloyd Valberg is not through with track and field. The tall athlete who finished eighth in the high jump at the 1948 London Games plans to concentrate from now on the high hurdles and the hop, step and jump.

this criticism came on the eve of grand parade at Helsinki in 1952.

ever clear 6 feet 6 inches, a height jump.

that need for a first class batsman. called, to set a Singapore record of in Finland in 1952 and he hopes and has made four trips to Wembley, Speedway Control Board, is at-Wong Shiu-wing on Court 2. Choa trates on batting, he will at least fill the "barrel roll" as it is sometimes company in the parade of nations

the season of just over £1,500 which time from his job and never had

BARREL ROLL

Strangely enough, Valberg is completely "down" on the barrel roll-the semi-diving style that permitted Les Steers of the United the bar with this awkward-looking Ships Trophy. method of straddling face downward. The course was about three and throws his leading leg over the bar at Happy Valley. About 120 run-Although 303 runs ahead, the West and drags the trailing leg along ners took part.

is caused by the trailing leg tapping CBE, C.-In-C. Far East Station. the cross-bar at the last moment. That's what has happened to Valberg's high jumping. He became discouraged and reached the 19 minutes 45 seconds. conclusion that the barrel is played

EASTERN CUT-OFF

"At the Olympic games," he recalled, "only one other jumper, an American, used this method. Most of the others used only the Western roll or the Eastern cut-off."

The American in question happened to be George Stanich. the

French, European and world cham- for Hungary according to schedule. bley, although in subsequent March 26. pion short distance swimmer and Pajor was later seen training at European meets he did better than He will be accompanied by his companied by diving stars, for an yet been found of Kilian, who, it is John Winters: of Australia, the brother, Bill. exhibition tour of Indo-China. reported, is engaged to a Norwegian Olympic champion at 6 feet 6,

employed the more orthodox method light heavyweight champion, plans

And he intends to be in the of clearing the crossbar on his side. seconds in the 120 yard high hurdles "I have lost confidence that I'll and 41 feet in the hop, step and not wary they may find that while

Of Tremlett, the Committee say I once considered quite easy," he They'll take a great deal of imthat he will probably make his said resignedly as he sat at his proving before he is ready for mark in the future as a batsman desk in the Singapore Harbour Fire world competition, but the fireman is ready to work hard.

that great strides can be made in His opponent is up to his strength mal season by the receipt of nearly That's not a startling mark by the next few years towards remov-£3,000 from the Australian tour. American standards, but it's a fine ing Singapore's great drawbacks to chasing the honours, the occasional next September. Other-games are F. V. Harrison v. Including this, they had a profit on leap for a fellow who had to take athletic fame—lack of training facilities, insufficient encouragement and is only half that of the previous any real coaching or training op- shortage of good coaches,-Associated Press.

> HMS Belfast Wins Cross-Country

Leading Seaman Ham, of HMS States to set the world record of 6 Belfast, won the Fleet cross-country feet 11 inches. Many track scholars run yesterday, while the Belfast have always said that the first man team won the Fleet Trophy and to clear 7 feet outdoors will get over HMS Dampier's team the Small;

With the barrel roll the jumper half miles, the start and finish being

At the conclusion of the race, the Perfect timing is the absolute trophies were presented by Vicehad scored 88 for 4 when stumps essential here. Usually, the failure Admiral Sir Patrick Brind, KCB, The results were: 1, Leading Scaman Ham (HMS Belfast); 2, Lieutenant Baton (HMS Dampler); 3, Able Seaman Moore (HMS Belfast). The winner's times was Winners of the Fleet Trophy, HMS Belfast with 564 points; runners-up, HMS London with 662 points, Frigate Flotilla 1150 points. The Small Ships Trophy was won by PRICES THAT MUST BE PAID HMS Dampier with 597 points.

University of California at Los heavyweight boxing champion paid for the stars of today. Angeles youngster who is looked Bruce Woodcock is scheduled to the excuse often made by other and bus for the airfield. They grab- most serious threat to Steers' world for his fight with South African not available. champion Johnny Ralph on

> manager, Tom Hurst, and his Freddie Mills, of England, world to see the bout. He and his wife

for a month's holiday. Mills, who knocked out Ralph last November, fights Woodcock for the fer fees, that accusation no longer stances of any discrimination even British heavyweight title in London stands up today. But far better for in the South." on June 2.—Associated Press. CERDAN-TURPIN

London, Feb. 24 .- It was learned lodny that Marcel Cerdan, the French holder of the world middleweight title, will fight Dick Turpin, the British and Empire Champion, over ten rounds at 11 stone eight pounds at Earl's Court, London, on Tuesday, March 29.-Reuter.

The following will represent the has over had, Baker, Kiernan, Maine.

# What's Wrong With The Arsenal?

ASKS PETER DITTON

Soccer fans all over Britain are asking what has happened to Arsenal. The "glamour boys" of pre-war days are still a great attraction wherever they play, but it is undeniable that this season they are on the down-grade.

They won the League Championship last season with a team of veteran players when everyone thought they were bound to crack. A wonderful team spirit more than anything else, pulled them through.

This senson they have virtually the same team, with the exception of Laurie Scott, international fullback, who has been on the injured list for two months, and Doug Lishman, a young inside-forward from Walsall, who has recently come into the attack.

But the "old men", a year older, are not doing the trick this time. Rooke, 'shurp-shooting centre-forward, cannot find the net with his former regularity, Leslie Compton is not the invincible stopper of inst season, and there are creakings in other key positions in the team. Arsenal obviously need new blood,

but while teams like Newcastle United and Cardiff City are making sortle after sortle into the transfer market, the "Gunners" have not ndded a single well-known player to their ranks since the advent of players have played for well-known

Neither have they been able to show that among their reserves they have players capable of finding a place in the first team.

The result is that while Arsenal are in no immediate danger in the League, they are certainly not hitting the high spots. Indeed, if they do not go into the transfer market fairly soon, they are going to store up for themselves a heap of trouble next season.

WHAT IS THE POLICY?

What is the policy of Manager Tom Whittaker? Surely Arsenal cannot be frightened by the high prices for players obtaining in the transfer market. After all, it will be recalled it was they who started the paying of inflated transfer fees.

in the years just before the war, they literally shook the sporting world when they bought Bryn Jones. the Walsh International inside-forward from Wolverhampton for the then record fee of £14,000. That was really big money in those days. But Arsenal wanted the player and

had a staggering overdraft. The overdraft has been almost liquidated since the war. Gales at Highbury have approximated 60,000 at each home match, which in hard

eash represents between £6,000 and There cannot be any question of Arsenal being short of money, and their players are among the most loyal possessed by any club. Once a Valberg's best efforts so far in player goes to Highbury, he never Valberg says he fears he is his new ambitions have been 15.7 wants to leave. But no club can live on sentiment, and if Arsenal arc

> players are happy, the public is not. MUST NEVER HAPPEN

This must never happen to this once mighty club, which has won the League Championship six times, the FA Cup. To keep any team speedway championships here infusion of new blood is imperative, and if the new material needed cannot be home-produced, it must its last championship in 1938. The be sought further affeld.

The late Herbert Chapman, who won the individual title, managed Arsenal when they achieved a hat-trick of Championship United States, Australia, Holland, successes, spent tens of thousands of Denmark Sweden and Czechopounds on players, including Charles | slovakia. The races, if organised, Buchan, Alex James, David Jack, would be held at Wembley Stadium Cliff Bastin, Tim Coleman, Dave scene of the 1948 Olympics. Halliday, and Jimmy Dunn.

all centre-forwards who between meetings are common. For the 1949 them cost something like £22,000. season there will be 33 clubs com-They never solved Arsenal's centre- peting in three divisions.-Associated forward problem, but it took more Press. than this to shake a Chapman and his faith in top-line players, and Manager Tom Whittaker might well take a leaf out of the book of his illustrious predecessor.

A club that hus for so long spent so freely, as have Arsenal, cannot so drastically change policy-as the present management appear to be trying to do-and maintain a preeminent position.

Whether Manager Whittaker likes or dislikes the £20,000 transfer fee, or whether in his heart he just feels even in the southern part of the that no player is worth such a colossal sum, he still has to recognise London, Feb. 24. - British those are the prices that have to be

patriot, Miss F. Nathansen.—Reuter. passports prior to entering a upon in the United States as the fly to Johannesburg on March 9 less ambitious clubs that players are Newcastle in the last three years have been involved in transfer deals

as buyers, and sellers, amounting to no less a sum than £220,000. They have made money talk all right. In fact they have got the whole of Great Britain talking. And Arsenal must do likewise.

### Morale Builder

London, Feb. 24.—Two hundred Haverford, Penns., Feb. 24.—Hull business men have agreed that The United States regained the their football team-Hull City-is Wolfe-Noel /women's squash rackets the biggest morale builder and in- cup last night when they beat Bri-centive to production that the city tain by three matches to two.

# Tomorrow's Rugger

There is expected to be a large turnout to watch Club play the Singapore United Services XV on the Club ground at 4 p.m. on Saturday. The visitors were scheduled to arrive yesterday but have been delayed until this afternoon by adverse weather conditions.

Information regarding the team's ability is scanty but several of the Clubs at home, F/O Carpenter having turned out for London Scottish and Combined Services. There have been three changes from the team originally selected but to what extent this has weakened the team, or otherwise, is not known.

Club are relying on the team which overcame Shanghai so decisively last Saturday with one exception. Peter Hutson, one of their most outstanding forwards, drops out owing to injury, his pince being taken by George Wright-Nooth who normally plays for RAF-Police. The latter is a grand wing forward and the change does not weaken Club in any way. If the Club forwards can obtain as much of the ball as they normally do and the centres give their wings more of the ball the Singapore side will have to produce very good football to win.

The teams are: Singapore United Bervices. - W. O. Slade (Army); 2/Lt. Greystow (Army), Capt Churcher (Army); L/Bdr Maddison (Army), Lt Daley (RN); Capt Sgt Stot-hard (Army), Sgt Sykes (Army); S/Sgt Edwards (Army), F/O Carpenter (RAF) QMSI Gibson (Army). Capt Rowland Price (Army), F/O Taylor (RAF), Lt Drew (Army), Bgt Baker (RAF), F/Lt they were not afraid to pay, in spite Fablan (Army), QMSI Smith (Army), of the fact that in those days they F/Sgt Dulbear (RAF).
Club,—A. Lochlan; R. de Rome, D. Tenderson, P. Franklin, M. Robinson;

D. Nolan, J. R. Henderson; I. V. Carrel, N. I. Mestan, H. M. G. Forsgate, E. Brown, T. Bowman, G. Wright-Nooth, A. Taylor, J. Warne. Rugger Result

London, Feb. 24.-The powerful Oxford University Rugby XV defeated Northampton by 22 points to today.—Reuter.

# World Speedway Championships

London, Feb. 24.—The British

The sport-motorcycle racing-had late Bluey Wilkinson of Australia

Invilations probably will go to the Speedway is popular in England.

The last three, incidentally, were Crowds of 60,000 at speedway

### DISCRIMINATION Jackie Robinson Feels Happier

Pennsylvania. Lewisburg, Feb. 24. — A famous American Negro athlete says that discrimination against Negro sportsmen is being broken down United States.

This region, which had Negro slaves until 1862, has maintained separate educational institutions and attempted to prevent Negroes getting freedoms intended for all under the American Constitution.

The athlete, Jackle Robinson, the first of the Negro race to play baseball for a Major League team, said he met with discrimination at Jacksonville, Florida, when playing there in an exhibition game several went to South Africa on February 23 Whereas before the war it was a different story hast year

Arsenal who were accused of and on our Spring tour," Robinson addcriticised for having inflated trans- ed. "There were very few in-Arsenal that it should, than that Since Robinson became the first

they should lose their great lustre Negro to get into Premier League and prestine as Britain's number baseball, five clubs have signed up one club. That is a very real danger. Negro stors.-Associated Press.

#### Squash Rackets

The American women had not

Club against RAF on Sunday at Consequently they are to give won the trophy since 1937 and fast Sookunpoo, kick-off at 4 p.m.—Cat- financial aid to the club for the ex- night's meeting was the first of the ton; Forrow, Strange; Weller, tension of Booth Ferry Park ground two teams since 1939 in London, Fowler, Beck; Barclay, Nullen, to accommodate 80,000 spectators.— when England won by five matches to nil.—Reuter.

# YOU WELL-THE ADDRESS IS

Mister Conquest



Reuter.





"Da-me-desu!" I 'exclaimed, It

I gathered through pidgin-English,

pldgin-Japanese and sign language

that the children play this game

No Fatalities

"Dai-jo-bu," he shot back.

That means "Don't worry."

means "That's bad!"

play "Ko-shu-kei."

much from the game.

present it is the rane.

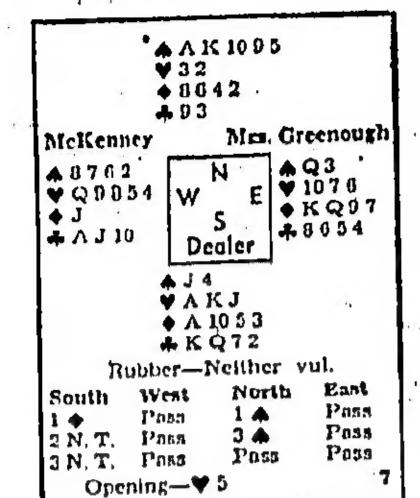
cans" used to be.

strictly neutral.

# FOR YOUR SPARE MOMENTS

# • McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

Shrewd Layoff Shuts Out Dummy



#### BY WILLIAM E. McKENNEY

THERE is nothing I enjoy more # than an evening of bridge with "Mother" Greenough. "Mother" Greenough, I must explain, is Mrs Edmee Busch- Greenough of New centre? York City, the mother of Curt H. Reisinger, who took over the secretaryship of the American Contract Bridge League when I retired.

The other night Mrs Greenough and I were playing against Mrs World War 1? McKenney and Mrs Ethel Levey, the former Mrs George M. Cohan. "Mother" loves to pull a quick one on you, and she certainly did that in today's hand.

Against three no-trump contract, I opened my fourth best heart. Declarer won with the jack of hearts, then led the jack of spades. The five-spot was played from dummy, and without a moment's hesitation, Mrs Greenough played the three.

Now declarer felt quite confident that she had located the queen of four of spades and finessed dummy's K NARF, the shadow-boy with the nine-spot. Mrs Greenough raked I turned-about name, came into this trick in with the queen, and the playroom and sat down beside you can see what happened, Declarer his sister Hanid. found herself shut out of dummy. Before the anoke cleared away, we noon?" Hanid asked her brother. had set our opponents three tricksjust because Mrs Greenough had the Knarf answered. nerve and polse that were needed to stay off the first spade trick. you," said Hanld, "I'd like to know

#### CHESS PROBLEM

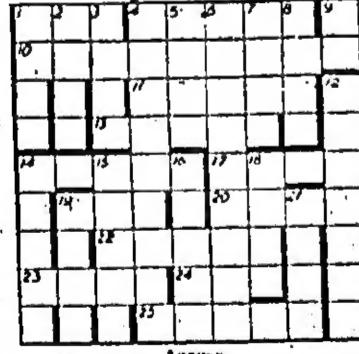
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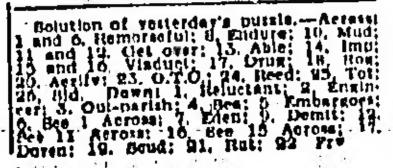
White, a pieces White to play and mate in two Solution to yesterday's problem:

1, Q-QB8, any; 2, R (dis ch. or db. ch), B, or Kt mates.

### CROSSWORD



- Across 1. Its apple is not edible. (3) 4. Make a request, 15) 10. Hare going for the chant of Pope Gregory, (15)
- 11. It's a going colour. (5) 13. Squeeze. (5) 14. What a crowd | (5) ... 17. It has to be developed to be made
- 19. Briefly the ruler, (3)
  20. It may be a record. (4)
  22. Could be lainer, don't you think?
- 23 Relatined, 141 24. Punny, but it's always in dring-
- ing water, (3)
- 25. Proceed inwards, (5)
- 1. Pound in frog repositories. (4) 2. You'll find him in a bar. (4) 3. The strongest part of, a castle, (4)
- 4. Annoy. (9) 5. It's a change from rope anyway. (4)
- d. Pride sent him to this office (9) 7. There is no truth in them. (4) . American pull 7 (4) ). Unplated Danish. (2)
- 12. Wall support. (7)
  14. An ear of corn. (5)
  15. Hollywood places high value on
- its possession by stars. (5)
  16. The language of ancient itome.
- Midanipman's side-arm. (4) Mirth and galoty. (4) 21. Anybody over this could be an onlooker. (4)





## Check Your Knowledge

- What part of an egg is the albumen?
- 3. Why is the climate along the Mediterranean coast mild in winter
- 5. Name the three continents that

4. What city is Poland's intellectual

are shaped roughly like triangles. 6. Did Holland participate is

(Answers in Column 4)

By MAX TRELL

"Where have you been all after-

apply cold outside,"

"That isn't the question I asked

→ "Because it's so cold outside,"

Knarf said, "I was helping Willy

Toad get himself a bed to sleep in.

He doesn't like being awake when

it's cold. He decided to go to sleep

all winter and not wake up until the

spring when it's warm again. So I

had to help him find a bed. It wasn't

Not Hard at All

good iden. So we both went to town

and when we came to a store that

sold beds, we went inside. 'I'd like

a nice comfortabe bed with a lot

of blankets on it, Willy told the

man. 'I'm going to sleep all winter

any beds for toads-just for people.

Then we went to another store

that sold couches and hammocks."

hammock?" Hanid asked.

"And did Willy buy a couch or

"Well," continued Knarf, "the

man in the store said he would be

Rupert's Elfin Bell-20

Things have happened so quickly

that Rupert and Bill still feel be-

wildered. The fog gets in their

eyes and down their throats as they

find themselves being helped into a

strange little car that is standing on.

the rails. "Catch hold of that

. handle in front, it will control your

good-bye and good luck I" He gives

the car a sharp push and it rolls,

smoothly away. "Oh, dear, I hope

it's not as thick as this all the way !

wheezes Bill. "I can hardly see."

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THAT CUSSED

MANNING

says the Elf. "Now.

BRONCHO BILL

The man said he didn't have

very easy."

where you were all afternoon."

UNUSUAL ANGLES:

# KIDS LIKE TO PLAY 'DEATH BY HANGING'

By ERNEST HOBERECHT

There have been changes in the A third boy about the same age was I kinds of games Japanese children standing guard over a child about are playing these days.

flying kites that look like fish, the lads had ever heard, I asked of sturdy individualism and private dragons and lots of Oriental things what was going on. hard to identify. But that's not the thing that really rings the bell with Nipponese youth now. Best of all, they like "Ko-shu-kei."

That's Japanese and it means geta. "death by hanging." The game is of recent origin, the iden coming from the hanging at Sugamo prison of Hideki Tojo and six others.

The name of the game dates back to the last day that the International Military Tribunal for the Far East was in session. As the defendants every day—with nobody getting stood in the dock, the Tribunal seriously hurt so far. . . president read the sentences. Some 2. How did Marie Antoinette die? of the Japanese war criminals got prison terms and some were sentonced to "Ko-shu-kel"--"death by

> I first discovered the popularity of the game when I was taking a walk through the residential section of Tokyo and came upon a group of children who might have been playing "cowboy and rustler."

> > Use Rice-Straw Rope

Two dirty-nosed kids about eight years old were throwing a rice-straw chorus. "All our kids are playing rope over the limb of a cherry tree, it."

XXXGXY41X13

Knarf carried Willy's new bed.

glad to sell. Willy a couch or a

hammock. Willy picked a nice big

soft couch. Then the man asked

Willy where he should send it. Willy

sald: 'There's a little hole under a

"What did Willy do then?" Hanid

Good Idea

the man in the store said," Knarf

last we did. Then I had to carry it

lined the egg shell with soft moss

to take the place of a mattress and

pillow and put Willy in it. Then I

Sleep, tight all through the winter.

He was already fast asleep when

hole and tiptoed away."

shell) for the winter.

put the rock back on top of the

Hanld smiled. She was very glad

her brother Knarf had put Willy

Toad to bed (even in an empty egg

Answer on the Jaw

PARTY'S ACOMIN

FER YOU~ OCTIER

HIT THE TRAIL.

MISTER ~

"Willy got to thinking about what

finally happened.

the pond.

Willy Went to Buy a New Bed

-But He Saved Money by Finding an Egg Shell-

"What was hard about it?" Hanid -rock just at the foot of the eim tree

Willy. He thought it was a very couch into the hole."

# BY THE WAY by Beachcomber

(ACT IV., SCENE XII.)

Dr. Slatter: Come, come. To hold up a man who blows fig pud-Of course, they still go in for In probably the worst Japanese ding out of a cornet as an example

> Mrs. Bulteel: Not at all, doctor. "We're playing 'death by hanging'," replied one of the boys, sliding The world needs ecentries. One down out of the tree and slipping must not judge everything by his cold, bare feet into his wooden utilitarian standards. We need son-

> > you can hardly claim that the blowing of fig budding out of necornet is music-or, Indeed, art of any years estimated originally.

Mrs Bulteel: It is imaginative. That is what counts. Strange and stirring. It gets you out of a rut. (THEY ALL stand silent while a large bit of fig pudding strikes the wall, and disintegrates.)

#### Christmas hamper One of the boys grabbed his throat

and made horrible sounds, then he shook his head to indicate such THE draw for the Narkover that the state of the way they things never happen the way they arouse much enthusiasm. It was said today that she "admires" Briestimated that nearly fifteen thous- tish policy in China because "they and two-shilling tickets, most of are telling their business men to do Wondering if the game were conthem forged, were sold; and there business with the Chinese and get fined to my neighbourhood, I menwere rumours that there was nothtioned it to some Japanese newsing left in the hamper but a quantity of tissue paper and a few State Department should similarly split acid drops. It is known that encourage American business men "No," they said, practically in one of the masters visited a West and "make it easy for Americans doubtedly be continued for that End hotel and disposed of a turkey, to go to China." a plum-pudding, and a bottle of There is no telling how long it | whisky. will be popular. A few rope burns

## on a few necks have not detracted Spinach Observatory

Perhaps the little fellows in each neighbourhood will get tired of Mrs WHELKSTUFFER, nuthor meighbourhood will get tired of "Minco Sana in Corpore being "Tojo" one of these days and Sano," asks me to deny the preposwill refuse to be hanged. But for the terous suggestion, made by a Sunday paper, that her model of Greenwich Observatory is "life-My Japanese newspaper friends size." Since the object of the model claim it is even more popular than is to demonstrate the artistic pos-"playing war" and "shooting Ameri- sibilities of vegetables, there would be no point in such an enormity. would cross the Yangtse except to eight points higher to seven points "It would," says Mrs Whelkstuffer, "be like engraving the Tnj Mahal on the skating rink at-Murren."

#### Nothing to do with me

She said that the man who threw the bone at her dog was shabbily dressed, one trouser-leg being almost transparent. Krakow. 5. North America, South

(News item.)

**DEOPLE** who live in glass trousers shouldn't throw bones.

#### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25

wanted to know. "All he had to near the ditch that runs into the do was go to a store and buy one." pond. You won't have any trouble i Knarf sighed. "That's what I told is lift up the stone and slide the D the social type and your excel- what you think in no uncertain lent memory for names and faces terms. will stand you in good stead. You "When the man heard this, he women are fitted to be social was astonished. He said he was leaders; organisers of philanthropic sciousness could be channelled into probably cover patents, utility quite sure he wouldn't be able to programmes and the like. You men philosophic trends if you were so | models and designs, find the place that Willy meant, and may divert your energies to other trained during your formative besides he knew that the couch fields, but you will do your best in years. Those of you who are would never fit in the hole under work which calls for dealing with educated beyond the average will so complex that agreement has been the stone. 'You'd better get some- people, directly. thing much smaller to sleep on,' he

CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE

Answers

temper the cold air from the north.

America and Africa, 6. No, she was

guillotine, 3, Because

told Willy. 'Perhaps an empty egg [ shell or an old eigar box.' So Willy temper, but if pushed around, you you develop these latent talents, hopped out of the store quite can display a surprising amount of fame can be yours. combative energy. You have a keen imagination and a quick, pointed inquired, quite eagar to know what

finding it at all. All you have to do | PORN today, you are essentially comes to the arts and how to say

Your highly developed social conshow a tendency to original thought which may put you a generation or You normally have a very even so beyond your contemporaries. If

To find what the stars have in wit. Developed, this combination store for tomorrow, select your might make you a clever writer or birthday star and read the correscritic, since you know almost ponding paragraph. Let your birthinstinctively what is good when it day star be your daily guide.

#### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 21) - VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 22)went on, "and the more he thought about the empty egg shell, the Personal gains can be made, even Keep your mind on what needs dobetter he liked it. It took quite a against major upsets, if you keep ing; get it done quickly and well good deal of looking around before your mental balance and act wisely. and the rewards can be great. we found an empty egg shell, but at ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)- LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)-

to the rock at the foot of the elm Be optimistic today for things should All lines of entertainment are good. tree near the ditch that runs into develop better, even, than you An agreement, drawn up yesterday, hoped. Excelle t for marriage. TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)-"By this time Willy was so sleepy

that he could hardly keep his eyes Be co-operative with others and you open. I lifted the rock and slid the will find the rewards ample. Haregg shell down the hole. Then I monlous dealings are always best. GEMINI (May 22-June 22)- 22)-Trading in all the commodities,

covered him over with a blanket of mind go too far astray and neglect leaves and said: 'Good-night, Willy. business details which must be done. CANCER (June 23-July 23) - A journey is possible. Perhaps be-

Marriages are smiled upon just now, gin a wedding tripl-A romantic and If unwed, anticipate receiving or making a proposali .

LEO" (July 24-Aug. 23)-Basically .favoured.

may now be signed, too. SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)-Mainly a social day. If intending

marriage, then you should find exceptional happiness. SAGITTARIUS . (Nov. 23-Dec.

An emotional day, Don't let your both wholesale and retail, appears favoured just now. CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)-

sociable day for you. 'AQUARIUS (Jan., 21-Feb. 19)-

If you are diplomatic with every a good day, Domesticity is especially "one, you will, find that it pays, you well. Moderation is best.

## By Harry F. O'Neill



## FOR THE BUSINESSMAN

# Marshall Aid May End Before 1952

#### RECOVERY EUROPEAN WOULD MAKE IT UNNECESSARY

Washington, Feb. 24.—President Truman raised the possibility today that Marshall European recovery plan aid could be discontinued sooner than expected because it was succeeding so well.

must not judge everything by utilitarian standards. We need sonnets as well as power-stations.

Mr Rose: Of course, Rhoda, But you can hardly claim that the blowif it took the full four nearly complete.

The President's remarks about the

# Pearl Buck On Trade With China

Washington, Feb. 24,-Pearl Buck

She said that the United States

She said that the Chinese Communists might make it difficult for the Americans now there because they are largely "the old type of colonials," but, she added, "I think the Communists will want new ones, particularly technicians." Miss Buck said that because of

the Chinese character the Chinese government ten years hence will not be really Communist. "If the Chinese don't like what the Communist offer they will re-

ject them." she said. take Nanking. If the Communist lower, with sales totalling 62 conregime proved successful in the tracts. north it would gradually South China. However, if the re- remained unchanged. gime proved an economic failure, China would be split up into war- after early easiness influenced by lord-ruled sectors.-United Press.

# FEC Decision On Patents By STELLA Expected Soon

Washington, Feb. 24.-Sources close to the Far Eastern commission said that rights of foreign patent holders in Japan were discussed

Details of the discussion were not -revealed,-but-there-were-indications. that the commission expects to make a decision soon. A directive will

The problem has been before FEC for two years and has proved difficult.

It was learned also that FEC' is | considering a ruling on Japanese patents in foreign countries and a third directive will probably be issued soon concerning copyrights, both foreign-held in Japan and Japanese

FEC is continuing to study the basic problems of a reparations level for Japanese industry and other long pending issues, but the prospects of an agreement are still slight,-Associated Press.

## FOREIGN EXCHANGE Closing Rates Feb. 24.

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Biginess was stione in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:-Sterling pound note (per £1) .... FIC plastres (per 100) NEI guilders (per 100) ........ 31.20 

At a meeting of the Directors of free of tax."

Marshall programme came when a reporter referred to Mr Mayhew's optimistic report to the United Nations Economic and Social Council yesterday.

The reporter wanted to know if Mr Truman felt it necessary now to continue "pouring Marshall Plan funds into Britain. President Truman replied that he

was happy to hear of Britain's reported economic advances, but that he had no first hand information about it. He said that if Mr Mayhew's statement proved correct, the Mar-

shall Plan might not have to be continued for the full four years. However, he quickly added that he thought the programme should remoin in operation until its goal of recovery in Western Europe was

assured. If that took four years, he said, the programme would untime,-United Press.

# Rubber Market Belatedly

New York, Feb. 24.-Number She doubted that the Communists contract rubber futures today closed

absorb Standard contract rubber futures

The market was belatedly steady lower cables from London and Singapore and the decline in securities and other commodities:

The physical market also moved upward slightly finally after a cleanup of a moderately small tonnage of offerings from Siam, which, it is said, were moved at "discounts of half a

cent under Singapore prices. Sentiment in the market was mixed nt the close of business. Prices closed as follow:--No. I Contract Rubber Futures. March 18.02- 3

LONDON MARKET London, Feb. 21.-Prices in the rubber market here today closed as March (in pence per lb.) ...... 11-1/16 April/June ..... 10-96 July/September 10-7/16 --- United Press.

# HONGKONG SHARES

This morning's turnover on the Stock Exchange was \$88,560.00. Transactions and noon prices were: SHARES HUYERS SELLERS SALES GOVT. LOANS BANKS HK Bank Canton. ...... 355 Union ..... 70715 Underwriters 5.40 DOCKS, ETC. 265 Dock ...... 26\5 27.20 Provident .... 1815 S'hai Dock 12/4 LAND, ETC. HK Rotel 15.60 HK Land 00% S'hai Land 3.60 3.75 200 @ 12,30 Humphreys (XD) 13 Realty UTILITIES Tram 20 Star Ferry (XD) 126 C. Light (O) . 14.60 14.90 1000 @ 14.50 3014 Electric ..... 300 03 3216 Telephone INDUSTRIALS Rope 20.80
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COTTONS

MISCELLANIOUS

Entertainment

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(0) .......

Karachi, Feb. 24.—The Japanese trade mission expected this morning was delayed in Shanghai, where it missed plane connections. It in now expected to reach Kara-

chi on Sunday morning. The mission is coming to Pakistan to buy 100,000 bales of cotton and implement other provisions of the 15.70 Japan-Pakistan' trade agreement 24.00 | 1948 .- United Press.

> Canadian Shoe Output New York, Feb. 24,-Shoe pro-

duction, in Canada in the first 11 months of 1948 totalled 29,000,000 the Hongkong. Land Investment & pidra compared with 33,000,000 pairs Agency Co., Ltd. held on Thursday and 40,000,000 pairs in the same it was decided to pay a dividend periods, of 1944 and 1940 respectivefor the year 1948 of \$3 per share, ly, reported the Tanners' Council of America. - Associated Press.

POCKET CARTOON

# Outlined By Finance Minister

Tokyo, Feb. 24.—The Finance Minister, Mr Hayato Ikeda, in an exclusive interview today outlined a "get tough with labour" economic policy which, he said, was designed to remove Japan as a burden on the American taxpayer as quickly as possible.

"The year 1949 will be a year of austerity for the Japanese people," he

habilitation and productive enterprises wil remain in force.

Mr Ikeda sald the Japanese budget for the 1949-50 Ascal year had been prepared as closely as possible to the general pattern of the Allles' nine-point economic stabilisation programme which he praised as the "only logical way" to overcome Japan's current financial difficulties.

#### **RED "FORTUNE TELLER"**

Mr Ikeda is the first post-war Japanese Finance Minister to enjoy a clear majority in the national legislature. He was asked to comment on the recent prediction by the Communist boss, Mr Kyuichi Tokuda, that the anti-Red Conservative Yoshida government virtually would be thrown out of office gramme, the United States will conwithin three months.

The Minister declared: "I am afraid that the poor fortune teller will have to renew his predictions every three months-indefinitely."

Mr Ikeda said the Conservatives' landslide victory in the recent national election was proof that the "majority of the Japanese people believe in systematic and constructive measures to combat inflation in denunciation of the series of walkouts which certain elements are using to, obstruct the economic recovery of Japan."

He outlined three bold measures aimed to cut expenditures in the new budget. A balanced budget is one of the objectives sought in the! Alles' nine-point programme,

#### THREE POINTS

Mr Ikeda said these three points absorb the anticipated unemploy-

Wholesale dismissal of workers on government payroll which, he admitted, was bound to have the luxury," he said,-United Press. widest repercussions in private industry and the Japanese economic picture in general Labour agitation against dismissals hitherto had been one of the most potential weapons In the hands of the Japanese Communists. Ikeda said government layoffs may range as high as 30 percent and this may eventually result in overall unemployment in Japan in the neighbourhood of 2,000,000 persons.

2. Elimination of subsidies to maintain the top heavy and large personnel structure of the Japanese railways and State-managed telegraphic-telephonic communications enterprises. Granting these fields "economic independence" would also result in their rationalisation and this would be another bold challenge to

the Communists: 3. A 50 percent slash in State subsidies to Japan's export industries

## RedNo Herrings For Attlee

London, Feb. 24.—The Prime Minister, Mr Clement Attlee, convicted, Miss Gillars faces the planning organs in which all parties rejected a suggestion in the maximum penalty of death, although will have the same voting rights. House of Commons today that the Federal Government has never Details of the obligations for mutual should introduce anti-Communist legislation on the lines of that in India and been my man of destiny," she said, ton and London that there was no France.

He did not think such an amend- fighting for my life today." ment "either necessary or desirable," Sir Waldron Smithers, Conservative, who had urged the Prime Minister love life during her second day on to do this, wondered if Mr Attlee the witness stand. Reciting her "really means business in his anti- love for Kolschewitz, she said she Communist campaign."

of the House, he added: "I am at any time for a lifetime of forced to the conclusion that he is misery." She said also that she a fellow traveller."

whether Sir Waldron has studied the somewhat drastle measures the power to detain without trial United Press. on suspicion of subversive activities and a number of other things which are generally regarded as rather dangerous here."

Government cheers greeted this remark.—Reuter,

### Poland Silent On Sydney Stanley

London, Feb. 24.—The Home Secretary Mr Chuter Ede said in the House of Commons today that he had received no word, from Poland on his inquiry whother that country would repatriate the deportee, Sydney Stanley.

Stanley, a Polish-born Jew. was the centre of the recent British Government corruption hearings and has been ordered to leave the coun-

Israel rejected his application for citizenship and Britain has asked Poland to accept him.—Associated

The Minister claimed that inflation | from an estimated 140,000,000,000 yen' is "now under control and steadily to 70,000,000,000 yen for the next being overcome." He said the present credit control gurvive many export industries will and channeling of money into re- be forced to streamline their be forced to streamline their management.

LIFE OF AUSTERITY

be self-supporting every unit of its economy must be self-supporting. For the government to be self-supporting it must have a balanced budget and to achieve that a great reduction of workers on its payroll is needed

on a competitive basis to realise higher efficiency and lower costs. For each family of Japanese citizens a life of nusterity will be required until economic stability has been reached."

The Finance Minister hoped that while Japan will energetically do its part under the nine-point protinue to prime Japan with economic aid "particularly in the form of raw materials." He said Japan is particularly short in mining equipment, cement and materials needed to rebuild its electric power industry. Mr Ikeda specified that such aid would "facilitate the quick realisa-

serving to reduce the burden on the American people," endeavours by General MacArthur and other occupation higher-ups which have helped Japanese econo-

tion of a self-supporting Japan, thus

Japanese budget. be set aside in the new budget for a public works programme-including the road building programme demanded by the Allies-designed to

"Japan cannot afford such

# WITH HER

her trial for treason today that to constitute a real factor in world her love for a Nazi radio offi- political powers." cial got her in the trouble where "I am now fighting for

my life."

York Hunter College. man radio.

"I consider Kolschewitz to have

also believed that "if you have Amid loud laughter from all parts been happy, you must be prepared came from a "race of people who Mr Attlee replied: "I don't know have been persecuted for 900 years --- the Irish."

"You will never be able to beat

Mr Ikeda said "For the nation to

"Japanese industries must be put

He expressed appreciation for the my by bringing about a gradual

But, he said, there will be no dole.

# CATCHES UP

#### Mildred Gillars' Admission

dred Gillars said tearfully at defence within an area big enough

She said, "Of course I loved him," one for all and all for one in the of the late Professor Max Otto Kois- event of any party being attacked. chewitz, who once tought her at New

MAN OF DESTINY Kolschewitz died in 1944.

Miss Gillars testified about her

that are being taken by provincial the Irish," sho added. "I thank the governments in India, and whether Irish people for the courage they he and his party generally support have given me to face this."-

# Pact-Free Alliance Not Practicable

#### NORWAY'S ATTITUDE SCANDINAVIAN PROBLEM

Oslo, Feb. 24. - Dr Halvard Lange, the Norwegian Foreign Minister, told Parliament today that his talks in Washington had convinced the Government that a Scandinavian alliance on a "pact-free" basis was no longer a practical possibility. "Solidarity limited to smaller units and neutral in attitude cannot have the necessary effect of preventing war," he told Parliament.

Dr Lange said that to secure lasting peace the Western European democracies "must be reconstructed economically, socially and culturally through organised and lasting co-operation, and they must be consolidated politically." This must include "defence co-operation on a regional basis," he said.

this line we should, in the Govern- Norway's security problem ment's opinion, aim at participating two-fold: reduction in occupation costs in the in the preliminary discussions on a 1.—Norway could not be strong peace and defence pact among the enough to scare off or resist aggres-"A sizeable amount," he said, will North Atlantic countries soon enough sion by a great power, but must have to enable us to make our influence help; and felt in the formulation of such a regional agreement."

This would not bind Norway to an "on an economic basis." Attentic Pact. The final decision would be taken by Parliament,

NO OFFENSIVE FRONT

Dr Lange said the Atlantic Pact "has no offensive front against anyone." "In reply to our careful inquiries in Washington, we were assured that it had never been in the United States' thoughts to request bases in Norway in peacetime and that there would be no request for

joint bases for countries in the pact." The American and British attitude was that an alliance-free Scandinavian defence union could not possibly expect political or material support from the West. "The big Western democracies,

desiring to prevent war, are trying to create stability and a new balance in our part of the world- tion which flew to Peiping on solidarity and co-operation in the Washington, Feb. 24.—Mil- spheres of economies, politics and

REGIONAL AGREEMENT It was obvious the proposed Atlantic Pact was to be a regional agreement based on the principle of

"We learned that no demands would be made on any country Kolschewitz was the man, she said, forcing them to maintain defence who played a Svengali role in her forces at a higher level than their wartime Nazi radio career-exerting economy allowed. It stressed that an hypnotic influence which prompted economic recovery in the individual her to make broadcasts for the Ger- countries and in the whole Western Europe must have first priority

The U.S. Government contends "The pact assumes that there those broadcasts were treasonable. If will be set up joint advisory and actually executed anyone for treason. help in case of attack have not yet affairs.

been defined," he said. "It was stressed both in Washing-"I feel if Professor Kolschewitz had desire to influence our decision or not been in my life, I would not be exert pressure upon us. It is entirely up to us to decide whether we will join at once, wait until the pact is fully prepared, join at a later date or not join at all. "We must make this decision on

the basis of our own considerations. The Atlantic Pact is to be a voluntary union of free peoples." REPLY TO RUSSIA

Dr Lange said Norway's reply to the Soviet Union's last note with the offer of a non-aggression pact was under consideration. It would be Communist leaders the proposed, given as soon as Parliament next week had had on opportunity discuss and decide their attitude to the questions raised by the Soviet



"I wish you'd called earlier. I've already got a date and it's going to be hard to break it."

Dr Lange declared: "If we choose! The Foreign Minister repeated that

2.—To build up defence she must have military supplies from abroad After the Oslo meeting, it was natural for Norway to consider discussing her security problems with the big Western democracies.—Reuter.

China Peace Talks

## **BROAD** EXCHANGE OF **VIEWS**

Nanking, Feb. 25. - The parents in upper Silesia." Shanghai non-partisan delegapossibly only on the basis of February 15 had been in con- on U.S. troop movements. stant conferences with Communist Mayor of Peiping, General Ych Chien-ying, and others prior to their departure to meet Mr Mao Tse-tung, tho Communist leader, Reuter understood today.

The North Shensi Radio reported last night that a broad exchange of views between the Chinese Communists and members of the delegation has been completed at Shihchiachuang, the North China

Communist political centre. Dr Shao Li-tse, Dr W. W. Yen, Mr Kiang Yun, and Mr Chang Hsu-chao, together with General Fu Tso-yl, and Mr Tung Chaoshan, were reported to have flown to Shihchiachuang on February 22. The Radio said they conferred with Mr Mao and General Chou En-lai, the top Communist on foreign

THE NEXT HURDLE

The delegation was reported to have returned to Peiping yesterday. They were expected to fix, or rather to attempt to fix, a time and place for the formal peace negotiations between the Chinese Reds and the National Government, and to propose the restoration of all communications between the Communist North and the Nationalist South, paving a way for a cease fire to end the civil war.

The North Shensi broadcast dld not say whether a place and time for the formal peace negotiations had been fixed. At Shihchiachuang the delegation discussed with the peace negotiations, the restoration of postal services throughout the country, and the reopening of shipping routes between Nationalist and Communist territory, the Radio said. A separate Shanghai shipping delegation is said to be concurrently conferring with Communist communications officials in Peiping, Reulers learned.—Reuter-AAP. SEEKING CONTACT

liably learned that the United States was trying to re-establish communications with the American Consul-General in Mukden, The United Press learned that American officials had been hoping to contact the Consul General, Mr Angus Ward, his wife and eight other

Americans. The State Department spokesman refused to discuss the Mukden situation other than to confirm that no direct word had been received from Mr Ward since November 18. Prior to the Chinese Communist capture of Mukden, Mr Ward and his staff volunteered to remain no matter what happened. According their safety.--United Press.

# TERROR TACTICS BY POLISH SECRET SERVICE AGENT

# Espionage Trial Evidence

Munich, Feb. 24. — Terror tactics used by an alleged Polish secret service agent, charged with organising an espionage ring in the U.S. zone of Germany, were described today in the spy trials of two Polish nationals and three Germans.

The five are on trial before an eight-member U.S. Military Commission charged with obtaining U.S. military information for a foreign power.

Alleged ring-leader of the five-man group is Theodor Szendielorz, 34-year-old Pole whose purported confession to American criminal investigation agents was read to the court.

Szendielorz had been an espionage is occupied by four powers." agent for the Polish Government before the war in operations against the Germans.

The confession document said he wa's arrested by the German Gestapo in 1937 and sentenced to life imprisonment. He was released at the war's end and met a mysterious "Captain Kamien of the Polish Secret Service."

Kamien, the confession said, approached Szendielorz and asked him to go to work for the Polish Government again, this time to obtain troop and industrial information about the United States in Germany,

#### HAD TO CO-OPERATE

latives were used to enlist agents, he He said he met one of the present defendants, Roman Knopp, and told

him that if he did not co-operate in obtaining information on the movement of U.S. troop-trains Knopp's parents would be deported from Polund. Szendielorz's statement told of

tween Breslau and the U.S. zone of Germany and of his meeting with Kamien in the Breslau rallway He was to have met Kamien for 5.30 p.m. further instructions last September

#### arrested by German State Police. FAMILY THREATENED

30, just two weeks after he was

A confession, allegedly given by George Kolodolezm, another defendant, said he was approached by Szendielorz and "given news of my Then, he said, Szendielorz threat-

ened his family unless he received co-operation in getting information Defendant Schostock gave a statement in which he said Szendielorz "told me that if I reported him to

the police my parents in Poland would be seized as hostages." Schostock received 100 deutschemarks from Szendielorz for information on Grafenwoena , troop movements, he said.

The defendant Knopp, a railway employee, said he had received 900 duetschemarks for giving information on the movements of U.S. troops and trains.

Rudolf Badura, the fifth defendant and a cousin of Knopp, said in a purported confession that Knopp told him: "It is not difficult to

According to the confession, work for the cause since Germany He sald he made sketches of industrial buildings in Marburg but made up information about them "out of my own head because I was so scared."-Associated Press.

#### BAO DAI ISSUES APPEAL AN

Parls, Feb. 24.—Ex-Emperor Bao Dai of Annam has called on all resistance groups in the Victnamese "Maquis" to support a Franco-Vietnam peace, according to a communique issued here today by the Vietnamese Central Provisional Government's delegation in Paris.

The communique said Bao Dai The confession added that he had made the request to M. Lai Huu-tal, to co-operate with the Polish captain spokesman for the non-Communist "or I would be dead or in Siberia Nationalist Resistance Group. It quoted the ex-Emperor as saying: One of his first jobs was to ascer- "A peaceful solution would permit, tain which Germans had relatives with the help of the French Union in Poland and report them to and her powerful Western Allies, the reconstruction of Victuam sorely Threats to the safety of such re- tried by an unjust war."-Reuter.

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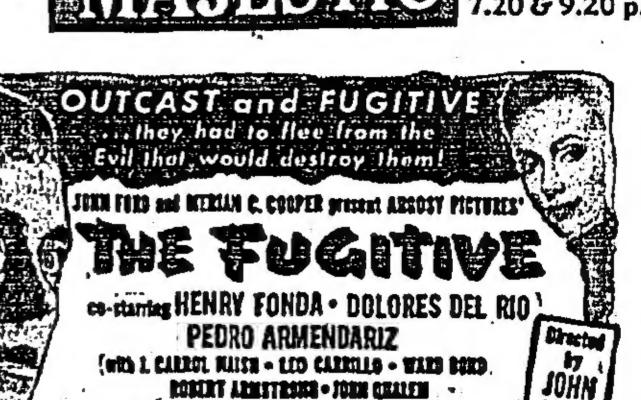
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